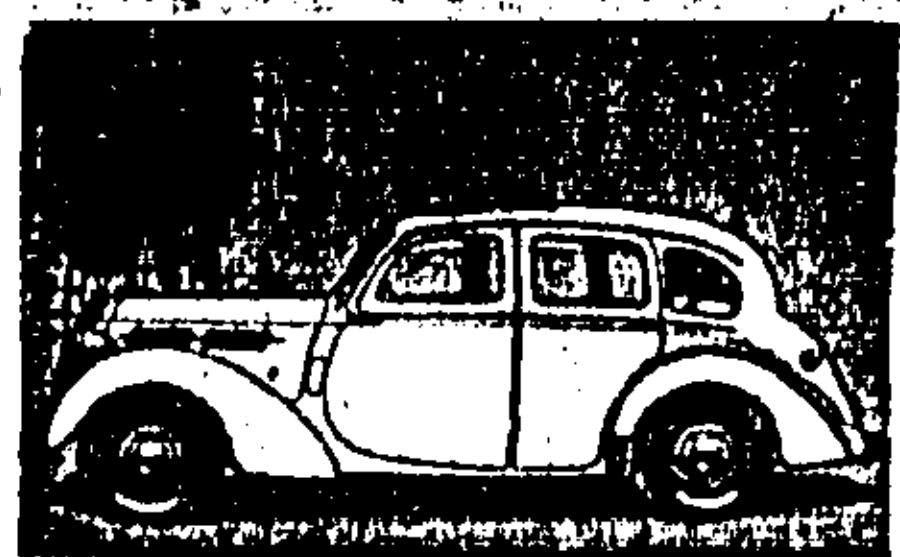


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CALDETES FALLS: ADVANCE ON GRANOLLERS IMMINENT

SALAMANCA, JAN. 29.

A WAR BULLETIN ISSUED BY THE INSURGENT HEAD QUARTERS ON SATURDAY NIGHT STATED THAT INSURGENT TROOPS IN CATALONIA WERE CONTINUING THEIR RAPID ADVANCE, AND HAD PUSHED FORWARD ON THE COAST ROAD AS FAR AS ARENYAS DEL MAR, ABOUT 24 MILES FROM BARCELONA.

After capturing the villages of Caldetas, Parets, Lliça de Vall, and Alella, the Insurgents succeeded late on Saturday afternoon in completely surrounding the town of Granollers.

Farther south, the Insurgents had advanced on an average six miles along the road from Manresa to Vich.

"Horse Pullman" Built

Wilmington, Del.
A "horse pullman" for the transportation of race horses is being built here and will be named after the Del Mar Turf Club, of which Bing Crosby, screen and radio star, is the head. The railroad car measures 74 feet in inside length and will accommodate 17 horses.

MANY PRISONERS TAKEN

In the Pyrenean section, the Insurgents had also advanced six miles.

The number of prisoners was stated to be very large.

In the district of Mataro, a field hospital with 800 wounded Loyalist soldiers was discovered. The men had been left behind without any medical assistance for three days.



BUSMAN'S HOLIDAY.—Jack Tar, on shore leave, pays a visit to the "Sea Dragon" and seems to be intrigued by the old-fashioned rigging.—Jaffer.

New Chinese Air Force Rapidly Takes Shape

SHANGHAI, Jan. 30.

AMERICAN AND RUSSIAN equipment, personnel and advice are now helping Chiang Kai-shek develop a new air force—his third since the war—to challenge Japan's undisputed mastery of the air over China.

Official reference books credited China with 600 military aircraft at the outbreak of hostilities.

Actually, China's first line plane strength was about a third of this listed figure.

Three months after its first disastrous appearance over Shanghai this startling force had been pretty well shot to pieces, and took no part in the defense of the Nanking area.

Ten months later, Chiang's second air force had been by a temporary withdrawal of the Russian support that it was unable to contribute toward the defense of Hankow.

Now that Generalissimo Chiang has reorganized and settled his government and war machine in the far western interior he has again turned to the Americans who have stood by him from pre-war days, and to the Russians to build a third air force.

ITALIANS WITHDRAWN

Italian influence in Chinese military aviation, which before the war threatened to overshadow the American, has been effaced completely by 18 months of war. The Italian air-

craft plant at Nanchang had not turned out its first plane when hostilities commenced.

Mussolini's recall of his China air mission not only rendered this extensive plant useless for the manufacture of new airplanes, but also forced the suspension of training activity at Nanchang and other bases where Italian experts were in charge.

Russian airmen and machines appeared on the war scene at a critical juncture for China. By the fall of 1937, China's starting fleet (90 per cent American) had been put out of action.

After surviving a severe bombing, the American owned and operated aircraft factory at Hangchow had been dismantled and shipped by devious routes to Hankow.

Needed for service as tactical and operations adviser. In Nanking, American instructors at the Hangchow air school were forced to halt their systematic training of Chinese airmen.

AMERICANS ACTIVE

For six months after the loss of Nanking—Russian-manned, Russian-made planes did most of China's aerial fighting. Reassembled in Han-

In Barcelona, 6,000 wounded Loyalist soldiers were left behind by the retreating army.

Great quantities of war material, including clothing, had been found in the Catalan capital, where life was now returning to its normal aspect. The streets had been cleaned, electric trams were running, and all public services had been resumed.

LOYALIST COMMUNIQUE

From Gerona, the Loyalist Defence Ministry issued the following bulletin on Saturday night: "Catalan front: The Loyalists repulsed enemy attacks east of Solsona and Manresa. The enemy suffered heavy loss. Severe fighting is now going on in the Mataro district, where Loyalist troops are putting up a stubborn resistance. Estremadura front: Enemy attacks in the Monte Rubio and Santo Veguna sectors were repulsed, and two enemy aeroplanes shot down. There is nothing to report on the other fronts." A report from Barcelona says that although absolutely precise information is lacking, it is believed that the Loyalist headquarters in Catalonia are now in the little town of Clot, situated to the north-east of Barcelona, 12 miles from the French frontier.

Some of the Loyalist Ministries are in Gerona and Figueras.

WARSHIPS ARRIVE

Referring to conditions in Barcelona, the report says that on Saturday a fleet of fishing boats entered the deserted port, which has been cleared of mines. The work of blowing up the wrecks of some 50 sunken ships, which obstruct traffic in the port, will shortly begin.

Insurgent warships, escorted by a squadron of aeroplanes steamed into port on Saturday afternoon, and were welcomed by a salute from the land batteries.

The city was lighted on Saturday night by electricity for the first time for several days.—Trans-Ocean.

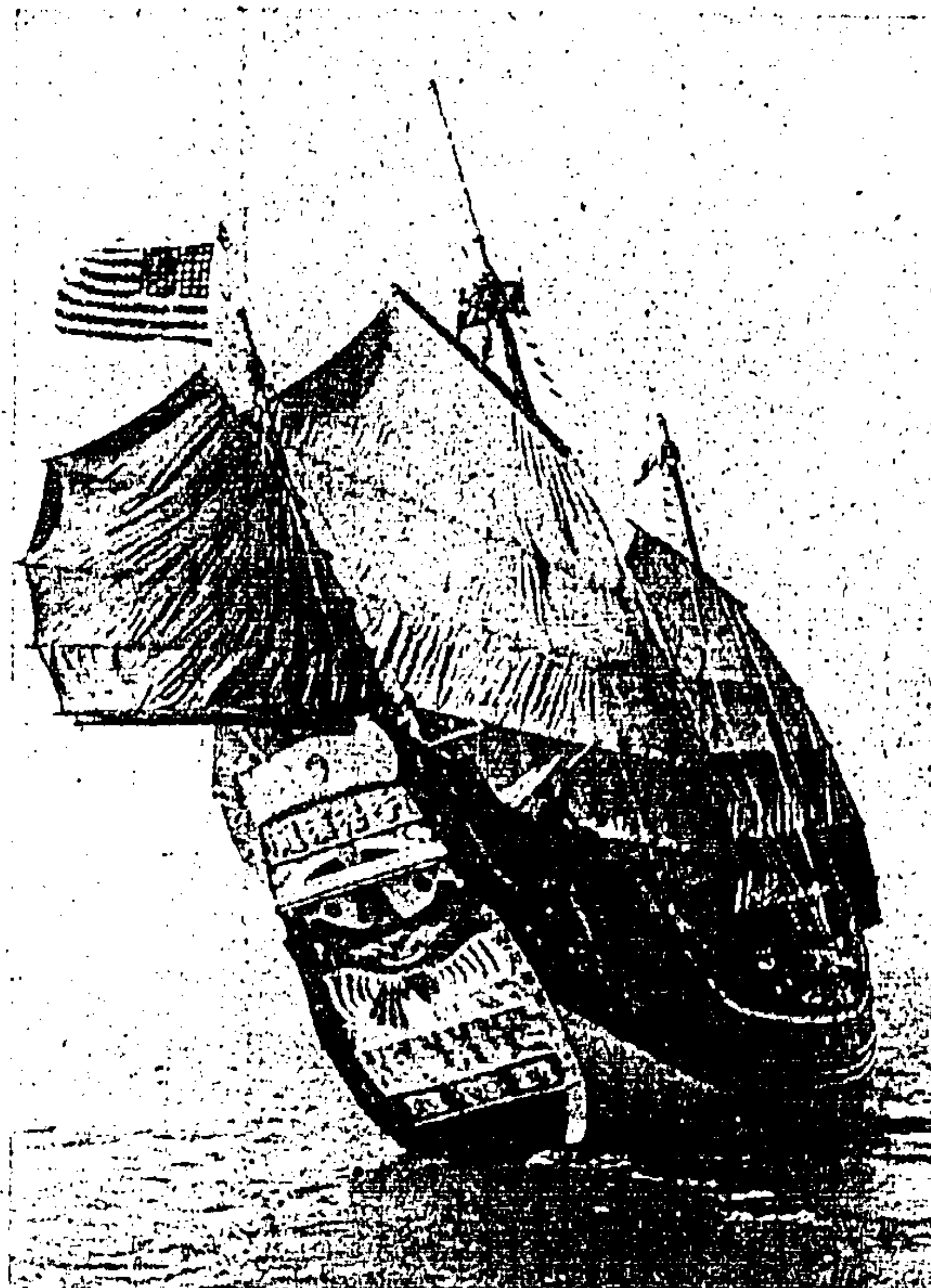
OFFENSIVE IN RAIN

Barcelona, Jan. 29.
The Insurgents continued their offensive on all sectors of the Catalan front to-day, in spite of heavy rain. The Urgel army corps is now approaching the important town of Berga. The Loyalists are offering little resistance, but the insurgent operations are considerably impeded by the fact that the region in which they are now operating offers serious natural obstacles, since it consists of snow-covered mountains, with but few roads which are in poor condition.

In the central sector, the Insurgents occupied the town of Moya, at the junction of the roads to Manresa and Vich.

General Yague's army corps likewise continued its advance along the coast to-day, but exact information regarding the positions reached by the vanguard is not yet available.

Insurgents estimate Loyalist losses since the opening of the Catalan offensive at about 100,000. Their number includes 67,400 prisoners. Insurgent bombers to-day raided the town of Alcoy in the province of Alicante, dropping numerous bombs on military objectives, and 12 important buildings are said to have been destroyed.—Trans-Ocean.



A PRETTY PICTURE.—The "Sea Dragon" presents a pretty picture as she tacks in the wind outside Hongkong harbour, with her picturesque and colourful stern in full view. A Phoenix, the bird of happy omen in China, and Chinese characters reading "Sea Dragon—Hongkong," are clearly discernible. The smaller inscription below "prays for good winds to speed them on their journey."—Jaffer.

Chilean Earthquake

LOOTERS DESCEND ON WRECKED TOWNS

SANTIAGO, Chile, Jan. 29.

THE TOWN OF COELEMU has been entirely destroyed by the recent earthquake, according to a statement issued by the Minister for the Interior, Senor Pedro Alfonso on Saturday night.

Nearly 400 children are known to be dead.

The towns of Pocillos and Quirihue were also completely destroyed.

Criminal elements of the population have taken advantage of the conditions prevailing in the rural areas in consequence of the catastrophe, and have looted houses deserted by their owners.

Numerous looters have been arrested in Concepcion, Chillan and San Carlos, and exemplary punishment will be meted out to the culprits under martial law.

A number of smaller, quake shocks were reported to have occurred on Saturday in Cauquenes.

The commandant of the garrison at Chillan estimates that the number killed in that town is 10,000.—Trans-Ocean.

Left-Wing Leader Gains Election

Bombay, Jan. 29.

Subhas Chandra Bose, the Leftist leader, was unexpectedly re-elected President of Congress to-day.

This is regarded as a defeat for Gandhi and the Congress High Command who backed the Rightist candidate, Dr. Paltari Sitaramayya, whose success had been counted practically certain.

A stiffening of Congress's attitude against the All-India Federation project is now expected.

Hitherto there had been considerable talk of a compromise between the Right Wing of Congress and the British Government on the matter.—Reuter.

His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Imperial Service Medal to Mr. Sung Teng-man, lately Accountant of the Medical Department, Hongkong.

Wartime Camp As Centre For Refugees

LONDON, Jan. 29.

ONE HUNDRED REFUGEE craftsmen are working at night preparing the famous war-time camp at Richborough, Kent, as Britain's biggest refugee centre, which will have its own "Parliament," cinema, and hospital.

It is expected to accommodate 3,500 refugees, the first batch of which will arrive next week.

All will receive intensive training in engineering, agriculture and various trades.

The camp will cost £30,000 a year.—Reuter.

Indians Demonstrate In London

London, Jan. 29.

A mass demonstration called by the India League in Trafalgar Square in support of Indian independence, was attended to-day by a large section of the Indian community in London.

Thousands of British Leftists passed a resolution demanding a boycott of Japanese goods and refusal of supplies, particularly oil and credit to Japan, and also demanded financial and medical aid to Spain.

The resolution further urged that the "progressive forces in Britain work for closer links between the people of Britain, India, and the colonies."—Reuter.

BRITISH APPEAL FOR PEACE GETS CURT RECEPTION

BERLIN, Jan. 29.

THE APPEAL FOR PEACE addressed to the leaders and people of Germany by a number of leading personalities in England, has been curtly received in Germany, and the newspapers level criticism at it.

The "Voelkischer Beobachter" to-day protests against the assertion that Germany is responsible for the present international political situation, and claims that Hitler's efforts to secure a reduction of armaments were opposed by the British Government.

If the signatories of the appeal regard armaments as the main cause of unrest in the world, they should declare the paper, address themselves to those who were responsible for rejecting the German offer.

The paper also takes exception to the assertion that nobody in England wishes to interfere in Germany's internal affairs, and recalls that only within the last few days over 100 Cabinet Ministers had criticised purely German affairs in a schoolmasterly tone, which had caused legitimate irritation in Germany.

OH, NO?

In Germany, on the other hand, declares the paper, no hostile campaigns are directed against other countries either through the press or by the radio.—Trans-Ocean.

PREMIER'S SPEECH

Berlin, Jan. 29.

Commenting on Mr. Neville Chamberlain's speech delivered at Birmingham on Saturday, the "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" observes that the attacks of the opposition have not succeeded in inducing Mr. Chamberlain to desist from his policy of international understanding.

The paper stresses Mr. Chamberlain's statement that all "reasonable aspirations" are entitled to be satisfied, and the paper sees in those words a possibility of reducing the existing tension between France and Italy.—Trans-Ocean.

JAPANESE ENVOYS MEET IN EUROPE

Tightening Up The Anti-Comintern Pact

PARIS, Jan. 29.

CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN Japanese envoys in Europe, which are stated to have dealt with the proposal to extend the anti-Comintern Pact, concluded here to-night.

The participants were Ambassadors Shigemitsu of London, Shiratori of Rome and Kurosu of Brussels, and Ministers Yano of Burgos, Amano of Bern, and a representative of General Oshima, Ambassador to Berlin, who was prevented from attending by illness.

According to a usually reliable French source, the talks, which were distinct from the normal occasional conferences by Japanese ambassadors in Europe, were suggested by the ambassadors to Rome and Berlin, who met recently on the Italian Riviera.

There appears to have been a divergence of views on the question of the anti-Comintern Pact. Whereas General Oshima's representative, and Mr. Shiratori wanted to tighten up relations with Rome and Berlin, if not to complete a military alliance, the majority of the others favoured "nursing" other European Powers, notably Britain.

It is considered here that the final decision will depend upon the evolution of the European situation.—Reuter.

LATEST

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Further Late News

Czech Minister On Berlin Visit

Berlin, Jan. 29.

The Czech Minister of Commerce is expected here next week for an important series of economic talks.

It is understood that the main question to be considered is the problem of ending competition between the Czech and Sudeten industries.

Trade talks are also in progress between Germany and Russia, but it is strongly emphasized that only formalities are concerned, and that no extensive reduction or alteration in the present agreement is contemplated.—Reuter.

Arab Woman Killed In Ambushed Bus

Jerusalem, Jan. 29.

Shots were fired from an ambush at an omnibus on the outskirts of Jerusalem to-day.

One Arab woman was killed, and another passenger was wounded.—Reuter.

Cabinet Re-Shuffle

Paris, Jan. 29.

The British Cabinet reshuffle has aroused considerable interest here, particularly the appointment of Lord Chatfield, whose mission, says the "Excelsior," will be to "prepare the way for new sacrifices to be asked from the country, and acceleration of the re-armament programme in all its spheres."—Reuter.

African Colonies Combat Nazis

Nairobi, Jan. 29.

The East African governments have been called upon by the Tanganyika League to counteract anti-British propaganda, to strengthen the political departments, and to declare the Nazi organization illegal.—Reuter.

EMPIRE NEWS

BY-ELECTION TEST IN SOUTH AFRICA

Johannesburg. The Government is facing a stern test in the Parliamentary by-elections at Bethal and Pretoria where vacancies have just occurred.

Although the United Party won both seats at this year's general election, the Nationalists polled well. Their strength has been consolidated since then by the wave of emotionism created by the Voortrekker Centenary.

Bethal and Pretoria City should show to what extent the Voortrekker celebrations have affected the Afrikaners-speaking people in their political allegiance. The elections are also important in view of the widespread growth of anti-Semitism in recent months.

Zulu King's Graves.—The Historical Monuments Commission has agreed to mark the graves of seven well-known Zulu kings, including Dinuzulu.

Mixed Marriages.—A petition urging the prohibition of mixed marriages and the residence of Europeans and non-Europeans in the same area will be circulated throughout the Union as soon as the December political truce is over. The preparation of the petition was decided on at the recent congress of the Nationalist party.

Durban Improvement Scheme.—The suggestion has been made that the Bluff at Durban should be connected by a bridge across the harbour mouth or by a tunnel under the harbour.

AUSTRALIA

JAPANESE AIR EXPANSION

Sydney. The new Japanese air service from Tokyo to the Pelew Islands, east of the Philippines, will bring a Japanese air base within 1,500 miles of Darwin and Port Moresby, Papua. This will mean that the Australian mainland and New Guinea will be within bombing range of a Japanese air terminal.

Experts are pointing out that this expansion emphasises the necessity for Australia to begin the defence of New Guinea, and to station air squadrons or build naval bases in the islands.

Gold Production.—The value of gold produced in Australia for 1934 will be approximately £1,500,000 greater than last year. Production was buoyant in all States except Victoria where there was a decrease in yield of 5,000ozs. Queensland had now taken second place of Western Australia in gold production.

NEW ZEALAND

HOSPITAL BENEFITS UNDER NEW ACT

Auckland. Mr. P. Fraser, Minister for Industry, says he cannot indicate at present the date when hospital benefits under the new Social Security Act will come into force. A clause in the Act allows the Minister to determine the date when the arrangements are to be complete.

Mr. Fraser states that further discussions will take place with the doctors during January.



LOCAL ARTISTES. These photographs, taken by Jaffer, are of local artistes who assisted in the Grand Services Concert recently which was held in aid of the dependants of the late Lance Sergeant Thompson, R.A.

UPPER LEFT. B.Q.M.S. Dicks was popular as a singing comedian.

UPPER RIGHT. A dizzy moment in a comedy sketch presented by Dodger Green and Co.

RIGHT. C. Malny photographed giving an impersonation of Jimmy Durante.

EXTREME RIGHT. Gus D'Aquino who sang at the concert.



Horse Racing Commission.—Mr. W. E. Parry, Minister of the Interior, announces the appointment of a Royal Commission shortly to investigate horse racing, with particular reference to a revision of the Gaming Act to meet changing conditions.

INDIA

AFGHAN MISSION AT NEW DELHI

Calcutta. Afghanistan's Trade Mission to India has created a favourable impression in New Delhi. The mission is accompanied by Sardar Ullah, Director-General of Political Affairs in the Afghanistan Foreign Office. In an interview with the "Statesman," the Sardar declared that Afghanistan is anxious to maintain and foster her friendly relations and to strengthen the existing commercial ties with her neighbours, and particularly with India and Great Britain.



SECRET BRIDE, 22, IS A WIDOW

AINSWORTH, near Bolton, Lancashire.

AS the body of Mr. Alexander McKinlay Smyth, nephew of a wealthy Scottish racehorse owner, was being cremated, with that of his mother, at Glasgow to-day, his 22-years-old widow, Mrs. Joan Isobel Smyth, told of their secret Gretna Green wedding nearly three years ago.

Mrs. Smyth, daughter of Mr. J. W. Smith, clerk to Bury County magistrates, talked of the happiness that ended when her 22-years-old husband, a medical student at Glasgow University, was found accidentally shot dead in his uncle's office in Glasgow.

Her mother-in-law, Mrs. Nellie McKinlay Smyth, died, broken-hearted, three days after her son.

Mrs. Smyth, sitting in the 17th-century dining-room of Ainsworth Hall, her parents' home, here, talked of her runaway wedding at Gretna Green.

LEFT LUXURY FLAT

Because of her delicate state of health—she is expecting a baby in June—she came to stay with her mother here, leaving her husband at their luxury flat in Dundonald-road, Glasgow.

Mrs. Smyth, prominent hunting woman and racecourse fashion leader in the north, recalled her first meeting with her husband at Ayr racecourse when they were 16.

"He visited my parents' home when we were 16," she said. "While he was staying here in the New Year of 1935 we decided to get married secretly. We went to Gretna Green on January 3 and were married over the anvil by Mr. Rennie.

"We returned to my home the same night. Alec went home to Scotland and told his people that we were married. It was not until several weeks afterwards that my parents knew.

"The marriage was regularised before the sheriff at Dumfries two months later. My mother and Alec's mother were witnesses.

"We decided to live apart for a time, so that Alec could continue his studies at the university.

"Our parents decided to keep the marriage a secret, but Alec and I saw each other at intervals and spent our days in 'loving'—squares, squares, squares—tomb 17 this year, at Alec's

Explosion Wrecks London House

London. Mr. J. G. Peters, a Poplar Council workman, smelt gas whilst doing road repairs in Perry's Close, East India Dock Road, Poplar East, and notified the authorities. About half-an-hour after, there was an explosion, causing the roof of a house to shoot up in the air, and windows in adjoining houses to be smashed.

Three people have been detained in hospital: Arthur Hill, Mrs. Emily Marshall and her grandson Brian.

Three others were allowed to go home after treatment—they are: Joseph and Thomas Hindmarsh, aged 7 and 8 respectively, and Daisy White, aged 10.

Joke On Purse-Snatcher

Cleveland O. Mrs. J. I. Wilson lost her purse to a young man in fashionable suburban Cleveland Heights, but the joke was on him. The purse happened to contain only 11 cents.

Shipping Chief Fell To Death

MR. Charles Booth, chairman of the Booth Steamship Co., crashed 80ft. to death recently from his cousin's house in Chester-street, Belgrave.

A cup of tea was taken to his room in the morning, and it is believed that he slipped and overbalanced while opening the window. Clad only in pyjama trousers and singlet, he was found lying half in the gutter and half on the kerb by Mr. H. B. Hamstead, a labourer, on his way to start work at the new Iron Trades House, at the corner of Chester-street and Grosvenor-place.

"He must have fallen just before I arrived," Mr. Hamstead said. "A man and a woman ran out of the house and asked, 'What has happened?' I replied, 'Someone's come out of the window. Then she said, 'He was depressed last night.'"

Mr. Booth lived at Mossley Hill, drive, Liverpool, and he arrived in London only on the Thursday to stay with his cousin. He leaves a widow and five children.

Mr. Tom Booth, his youngest son, said: "My father suffered with his eyes for some years and was blind in one. An operation performed on this eye some months ago was not successful. He did not seem to worry about it and appeared to manage well."

"I do not know whether there was any danger of his losing the sight of the other eye, but so far as I know he had no other worries."

Chairman of Alfred Booth and Co., Ltd., of Liverpool, a member of the Cheshire Lines Committee, and of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board, he also served on the boards of Booth and Co. (London), Martins Bank Ltd., and the L.M.S. Railway.

Fish Out Of Water

London. Andromeda, a goldfish, is apparently little affected by being out of water. The fish was found on a bitterly cold day by a builder of St. Leonard's on Sea, Mr. G. Dubois, on the dry bottom of a tank which had been split by the frost, in an empty house. A week later Mr. Dubois found the goldfish had turned silver and was stiff. He picked it up to throw it away, thinking it was dead, but it wagged its tail. Mr. Dubois took it home, and now it is flourishing and has turned gold again.

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- 7—Union in kingdoms
- 12—Wise on sin
- 14—Stated dreamily
- 15—Dear with
- 16—Indian tribe
- 17—Oakleaf
- 22—One French bit
- 23—Old's name
- 24—State mistakes
- 26—Thereas
- 27—Vulgar one who
- 28—Unwashed length
- 32—Devout
- 33—City's name
- 34—Devious month
- 35—Art reviewers
- 36—One
- 37—Left together
- 40—Jannet's coin
- 43—Rim
- 45—Licency
- 46—State
- 48—Preceding
- 49—Fecund
- 51—Was interested
- 53—Remove law
- 55—Fleeting mountain

DOWN

- 2—Tires
- 3—Enclave
- 4—Dull
- 5—Greek letter
- 6—Lack of insects
- 8—Until
- 9—Whiff of M
- 10—Greatest number
- 11—Hool of ore
- 13—Last night
- 18—Ancient Latin city
- 19—Doctor of teeth
- 20—Unit of work
- 21—Sitting feast
- 25—Alexander
- 29—Quilna ore
- 30—Nadide
- 31—Pouch
- 36—Unit of current
- 38—Thatched roof
- 39—Fabrics
- 37—Afternoon rest
- 38—Coincides
- 39—Sewing device
- 41—Booze through
- 44—Akin
- 46—Prep
- 47—Look over
- 50—Wale
- 52—Curve
- 54—Wings of building
- 56—One hundred one

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

1—Hammock
2—Tailor
3—Hammock
4—Tailor

EMPIRE NEWS

REFUGEES GOING TO AUSTRALIA

CANBERRA. The Department of the Interior states that it is dealing with applications for landing permits from European refugees at the rate of 2,000 a week.

Most of the applicants are German and Austrian Jews. A few Czech refugees have made inquiries.

The number of applications is expected to show substantial gains, and the Department is making arrangements to cope with the anticipated flood.

The quota will be elastic. No attempt will be made to limit the granting of permits to a set number every month.

FUTURE OF NEW GUINEA

SYDNEY. The Administrator of the Mandated Territory of New Guinea, Sir Walter McNicoll, who is on a visit to Sydney, says that the proposed amalgamation of the administrations of Papua and New Guinea would be the soundest course for Australia in the long run.

He emphasised the necessity of the Commonwealth maintaining control not only over New Guinea and Papua, but over the string of islands extending from Papua through the Solomons to the New Hebrides. Many of these islands, declared Sir Walter, had good harbours, and should be semi-fortified and fitted as seaplane or warship bases to act as the outer fringe of Australian defence.

BETTING SHOP HOURS

ADELAIDE. An attempt which was made to carry out the recommendations of the recent Royal Commission to restrict the operation of South Australian betting shops has failed. The Legislative Assembly of South Australia has defeated the most important proposition, which provided that the betting shops should close between 1.30 p.m. and 5 p.m.

This was proposed to prevent large sections of the population spending their whole afternoon on race-days in betting shops, making bets and listening to descriptions of the races. It was also intended to increase attendances at actual racing meetings, which had been steadily declining since betting shops were first opened.

NATIVE REMEDIES CONDEMNED

CALCUTTA. An inquiry financed by the Indian Research Fund Association into the native systems of medicine known as Ayurvedic and Unani has rejected their claims to be regarded as scientific.

The report states that only a very limited number of indigenous remedies deserve the reputation they have earned as cures. Many of them are worthless and have probably crept in through tradition and folklore.

Minister's Visit.—During his visit to Calcutta, Lt.-Col. A. J. Muirhead, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for India, visited Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose to Government House for an interview. Lord Brabourne, the Governor, took the opportunity to meet the President of the Indian National Congress.

OUTBREAK OF FOOT-& MOUTH DISEASE

CAPE TOWN. A particularly virulent outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease is being fought in the Pilgrim's Rest district, Transvaal. Apart from cattle owned by European farmers, some 50,000



Taking shape in foundations and steel framework, the pavilions of the nations of the world become increasingly visible as the New York World's Fair 1939 nears completion. Viewed from an airplane, the Foreign Zone of the 1216-acre site reveals the importance of the vast Court of Peace, with a capacity of 50,000 persons, as the nerve centre of this unprecedented assembly of three score governments that represent 90 per cent of the globe's inhabited regions.

In this broad area, dominated by the United States Federal Building and flanked by the Halls of Nations, it is hoped that a new spirit of international good-will may be born. The numbered sites, showing various stages of construction, are: 1. United States Federal Building, with the Halls of Nations extending toward the lagoon, all partly enclosed over steel; 2. The Court of Peace; 3. Canada, foundations started; 4. Argentina, foundations started; 5. Norway, foundations started; 6. Elre, foundations started; 7. Rumania, up in steel; 8. U.S.S.R., foundations completed; 9. Czechoslovakia; 10. Japan, foundations started; 11. Belgium, steel partly enclosed; 12. Sweden, foundations started; 13. Turkey, foundations started; 14. Lagoon of Nations; 15. France, steel being erected; 16. Brazil, foundations started; 17. British Empire, steel completed; 18. Italy, steel completions started; 19. Chile, foundations started; 20. League of Nations; 21. Portugal; 22. Venezuela; 23. Poland, foundations started; 24. Netherlands, foundations started; 25. Switzerland.

In the foreground are shown exposition buildings and those of private exhibitors, many in an advanced state and ready for interior decoration. Constitution Hall also nears completion with its elaborate planting and wide pools of cascading water, dotted with sculpture. Construction of the entire \$150,000,000 exposition is now several weeks ahead of schedule.

Boots And The Marine

Marine Walter Henry Robert Birch, aged 19, appeared five minutes late when parading in a draft to join H.M.S. Resolution.

He was also wearing civilian boots and did not slope arms with the rest. Then he said "I don't want you to swear at me" and shooting out his fist, pushed the sergeant major in the chest.

Birch pleaded guilty at a Chatham court martial recently to offering violence to his superior officer and sentence will be promulgated in due course.

Vicious Circle At Work

Kerang, Australia. Drs. Pook and Munro, physicians and partners, have their own conception of what constitutes a "vicious circle." After work in the local hospital, they left by separate doors, got into their cars and started for home. Dr. Pook turned to the right and Dr. Munro to the left. Both travelled a block and then crashed into each other.

Sir Charles Corkran Found Shot After Fall

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR CHARLES CORKRAN, Sergeant-at-Arms at the House of Lords since 1936, has been found shot dead in the grounds of his Berkshire home, Fitzharrys Manor, Abingdon.

Sir Charles Corkran went into his grounds to shoot pigeons.

When Lady Corkran, who had been attending a local committee meeting, returned home, she found that her husband was not in the house.

TORCH SEARCH

Lady Corkran and her daughter, with electric torches, went to look for him. They found him lying on his back on a plank over a stream.

It is thought that Sir Charles was crossing on the plank when he slipped and fell, causing the gun which he was carrying to discharge.

He was found to have wounds in the back of his head.

The grounds comprise from 3 to 4 acres of woodland and pasture, and it was not until the search had continued for an hour that Sir Charles was found.

Sir Charles Corkran who was 60 years of age, was the son of the late Colonel C. S. Corkran, and was at Elton and Sandhurst.

He entered the Army in 1893, served in the Nile Expedition, the South African War and the European war. His distinguished service was followed by the C.B. and C.M.G.

LONDON G.O.C.

For a time he was commandant of the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, and was General Officer Commanding the London District from 1920 to 1932. In 1932 he was created Knight Commander of the Victorian Order.

He numbered among his decorations two rather uncommon ones, the Order of Karageorge and the Serbian Gold Medal for Valour, gained with the Salonika force.

Sir Charles married a daughter of the late Colonel Horace Ricardo in 1904. He leaves two sons and one daughter. His eldest son is Mr. Charles Corkran, who, with Mrs. Muriel Pawley, was captured by bandits in Manchukuo in September 1932 and held to ransom for six weeks.

functions she always remained a modest, unassuming child," said a neighbour.

May Queen's Robes To Be Her Shroud

CROWNED May Queen of England at the Haynes Common ceremony last year, golden-haired Flossie Boggis (15), of Marvels Lane, Grove Park, S.E., visited the Children's Ward at Lewisham Hospital a month or so ago.

In her royal robes and crown and attended by a dozen maids of honour she chatted with the patients, then kissed each one good-bye "so that none of them should be jealous." Later after an illness of less than a fortnight, she died from blood poisoning in the same ward to which her bright smile and sparkling eyes had brought happiness. Her Queen's robes are to be her shroud, and her maids of honour will attend the funeral.

Flossie won a scholarship to the South-East London Technical School 18 months ago and was studying to be a dress designer. She was top of her last term both in millinery and art, but when her mother called at the hospital to tell her she was already unconscious.

"Flossie designed all her own dresses, including her May Queen robes in which she will be buried," her mother said.

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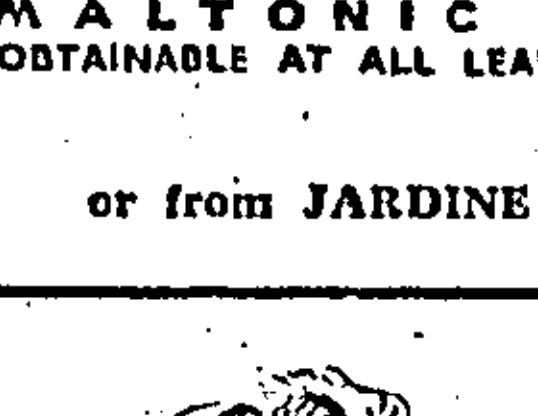
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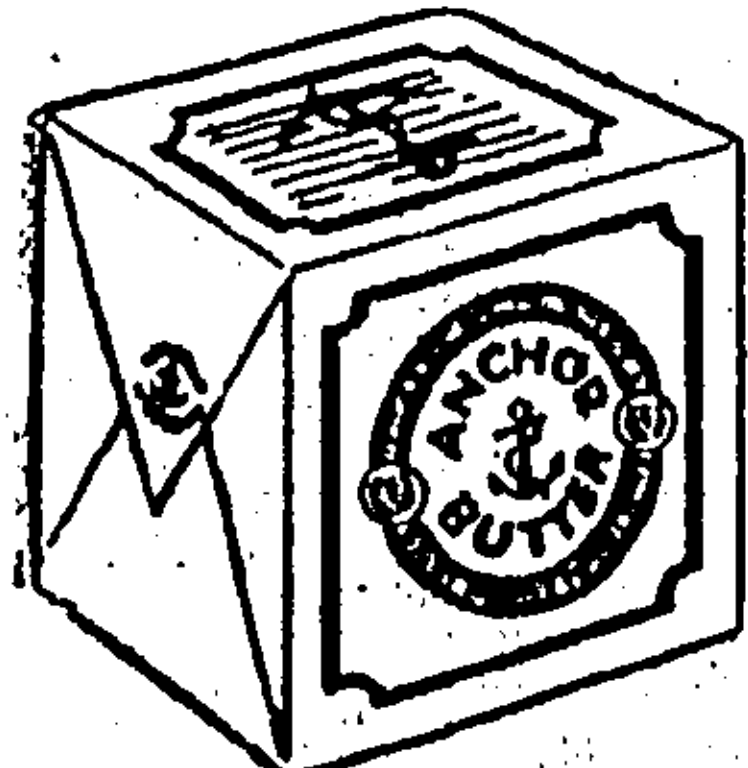
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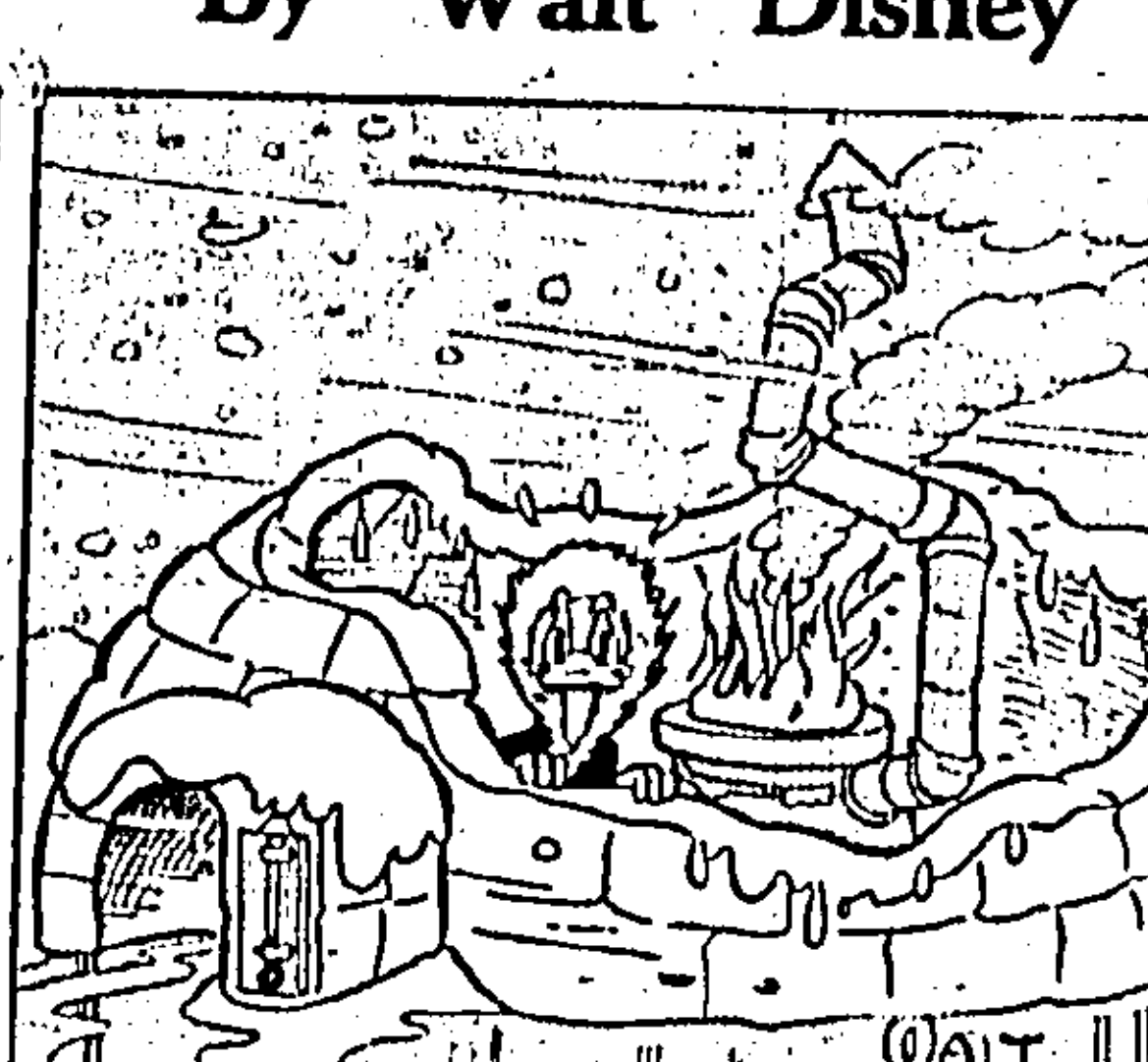
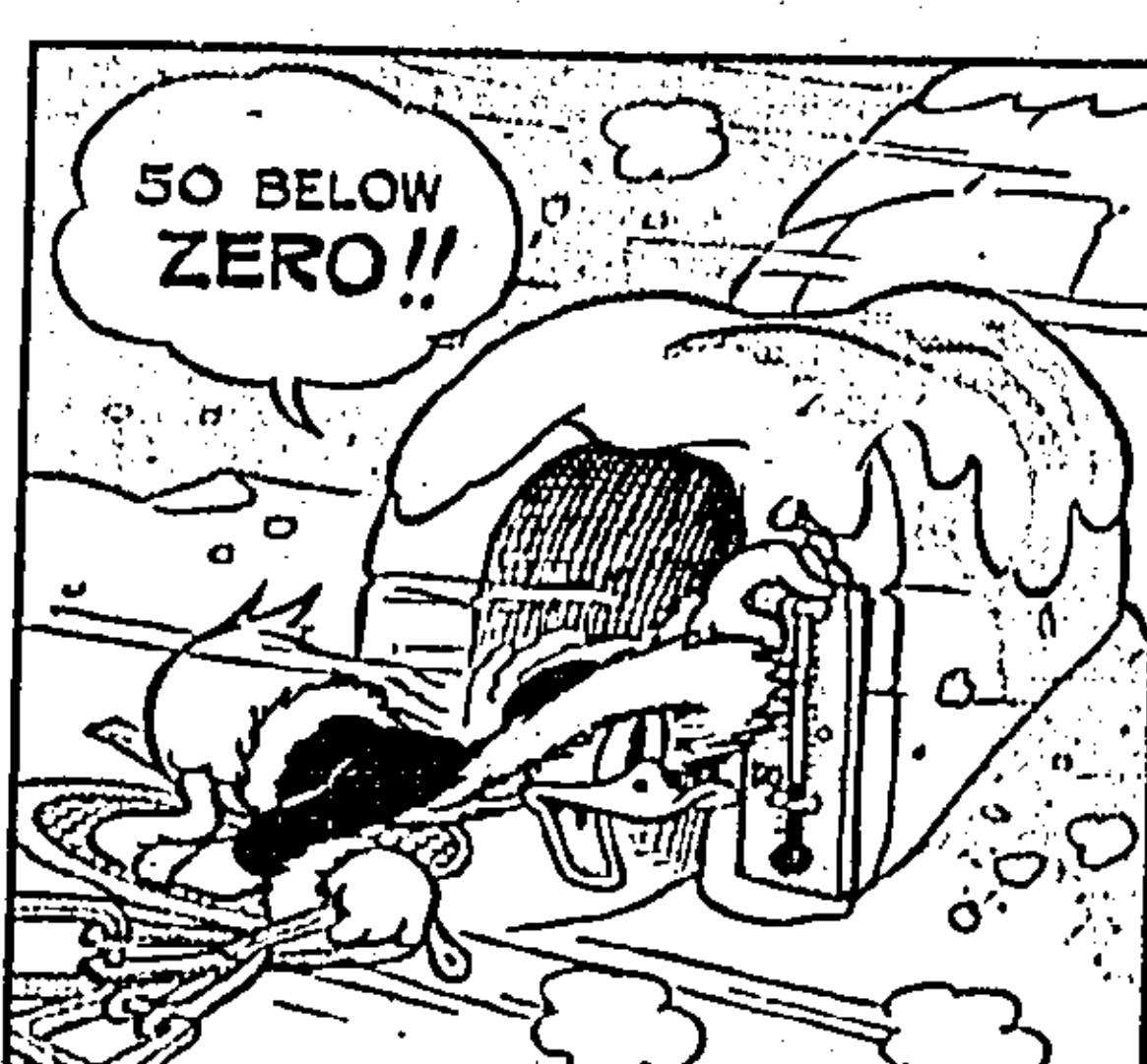
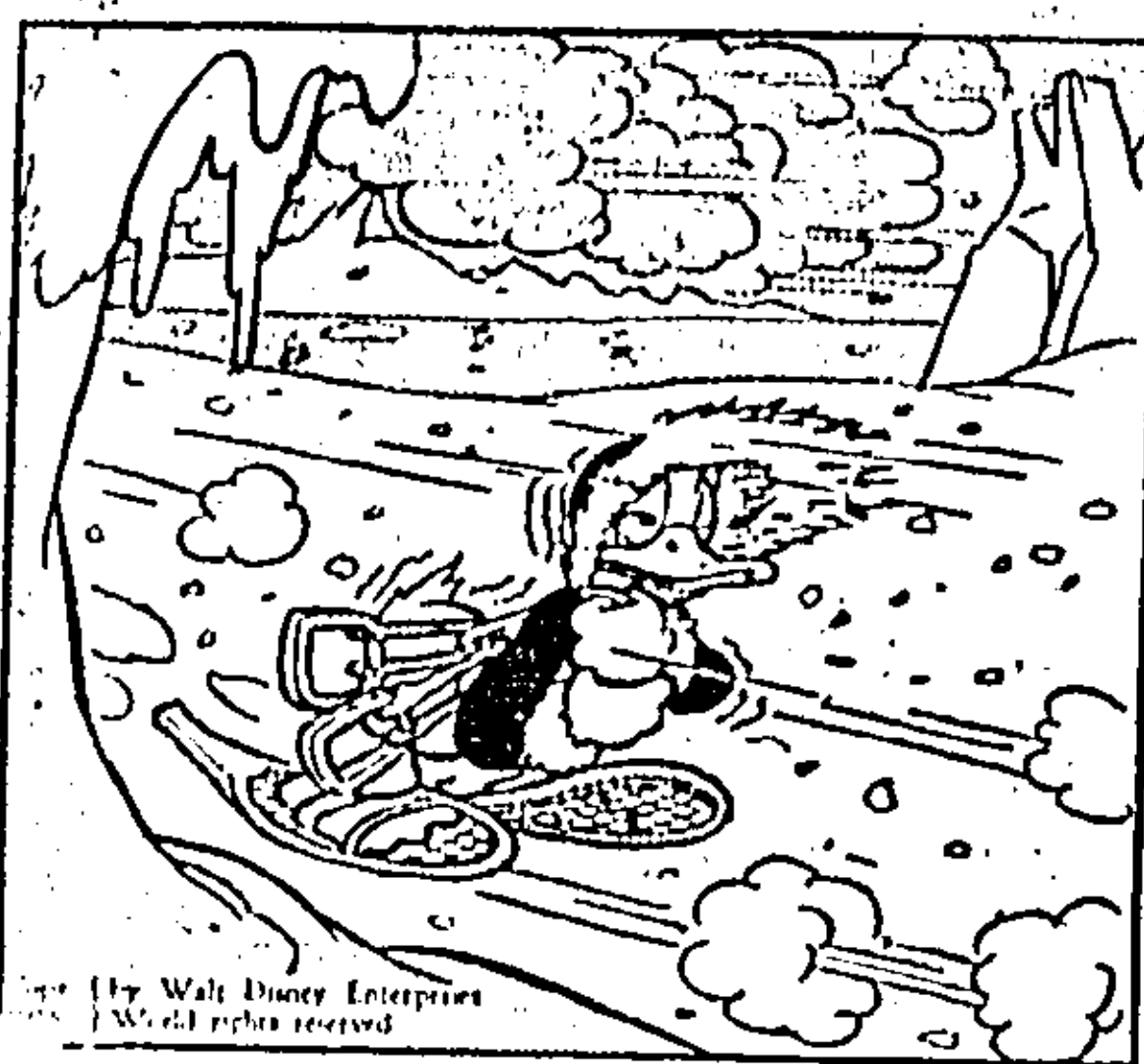
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Local Jewish Community Meet At Synagogue

Strong denunciation of the brutality exercised against their compatriots in Europe was voiced by Mr. Albert Raymond, the speaker at a service of prayer and intercession held at the Ohel Leah Synagogue yesterday morning.

A large and representative congregation attended, including several non-Jews and the subject of the meeting was stated to be the plight of Jewish refugees stranded on the German-Polish frontier.

Mr. Raymond said: In common with fellow-Jews throughout the British Empire, we have set aside this day for protest, meditation and self-denial, on behalf of our co-religionists.

Germany has thought fit in addition to other forms of persecution to expel some 10,000 Jews to Poland. At the frontier they were denied entry into Poland. When the Polish Government threatened reprisals, a few were allowed to return to Germany, but the majority have since remained stranded between the two frontiers. Among them are several hundred little children.

Picture to yourselves what these men, women and children are going through. In the midst of cruel winter conditions, they are practically without shelter, warmth, or food. Several of them have already succumbed to these terrible conditions.

Public Condemnation

We are therefore here to-day to express publicly our condemnation and horror at this fiendish cruelty. As one writer puts it—to call such inhuman perpetrators, beasts—is an insult to the brute creation.

Words, however, are feeble and inadequate. The least that we can do is to give a measure of relief to the sufferers, and particularly to the children. In order to bring it within the reach of everyone, we are expected to contribute—as a minimum—the cost of one day's food per head. The cumulative effect of such a collection in various parts of the world will amount to something worthwhile. I am sure no words of mine are necessary, for the plea makes its own appeal to our hearts.

Now, for the subject of this gathering is concerned, my address may well end here, but I feel it impossible to conclude without bringing our thoughts to where the Jews of the world stand at this juncture. I feel it an urgent duty to put a few facts that will help us to realize more clearly the deadly menace that is facing them.

In the old days, the Jew was persecuted on account of his religion. That is, he was not objected to as an individual. Now that religion counts for less in the Western world, a new form of ideology is taking its place. The attack is directed against all Jews as a race.

In his book, Hitler says: "The Jew must not only be expelled, but exterminated. The process in the end must extend beyond the boundaries of the Reich, if civilization is to be preserved. Either the Jew must perish, or night will descend upon Earth."

Poisoning the World

With this end in view, he has set up a very efficient organization for propaganda. With scientific precision, the whole world is being poisoned with lying and malicious stories about the Jews. The German press and radio stations are conducting a ceaseless campaign in every corner of the Globe. They are spending over twenty million pounds a year on propaganda. Every year they export millions of leaflets and hundreds of thousands of books and pamphlets in several languages to their chosen emissaries for distribution. They even go to the extent of posting pamphlets inside business correspondence and in goods despatched from Germany.

They follow the very method that Hitler denounces in his book, when referring to the propaganda directed against Germany in the Great War. This is what he says: "The very enormity of a lie contributes to its success. The masses of the people easily succumb to it, as they cannot believe it possible that anyone should have the shameless audacity to invent such things. Even if the clearest proof of its falsehood is forthcoming, something of the lie will nevertheless stick."

The world in general is ignorant of the Jewish case, and the contribution we have made to civilization. In fact, the average Jew himself is ignorant of his history. Nor, when Jews are maligned, has there been any organized reply to the lying charges. We must keep in touch with movements in the Jewish world. Let us take an interest in our his-

FREEDOM OF PRESS

Students Vote Against Government Control

The regular fortnightly debates in Wah Yan College, which had been interrupted for almost two months owing to Class 1's work for the refugees in Fanning (During most of the month of December, Wah Yan Class 1 boys formed the entire welfare workers' staff in the three railway camps, Fanning, North Camp, Fanning South Camp, and Gill's Cutting) were resumed on Saturday, when an interesting debate took place on the Freedom of the Press.

The exact wording of the motion before the house was: "That the world has now reached a pass when the liberties of the press are too rigidly curtailed." The actual debate was the result of a challenge from Class 1 to Class 2. The Star Club (the Class 1 class organization) offered to debate either side of the motion against the Star Club (the Class 2 club); and, the challenge being accepted, the Star Club elected to defend the motion as proposed.

The main points put forward by the defenders were as follows:—Newspapers could, and should, be highly educational, and should lift the people as a whole to higher levels of thought and idealism. If, however, their liberties were unduly interfered with, and they were allowed to print only such articles and editorials as the Government allowed, this aim could not be attained; the press would be reduced to the servile mouth-piece of autocratic rulers, and would become a mere instrument of crude propaganda.

Vent for Grievances

The Press, they argued, should act as a legitimate vent for grievances; for unless legitimate opposition to Government measures were allowed to express itself, discontent would spread and rebellion would be fostered underground. Clearly, there was no question here of evil immoral papers, engaged in spreading either false political doctrines or the knowledge of vice; such unworthy rags should be ruthlessly suppressed. But except for such productions, which no worthy citizen would hesitate to condemn, the Press, like the individual, had a right to its liberty, and to interfere with its freedom to tell the truth was a grave breach of justice and political prudence.

The Sword Club, on the other hand, took up the point about the Press, if controlled, becoming an instrument of propaganda, and turned it rather neatly on their opponents. Unless the Press were controlled, they argued, it was certain to become an instrument of evil propaganda. Not all journalists were worthy of high calling; and unless some kind of censorship, at least in mild form, were imposed, it was certain that papers would be printed and sold which preached the most dangerous and subversive ideas. Their opponents were too credulous, they affirmed, if they believed that an unrestricted freedom to print anything was not highly dangerous; no revolution ever yet succeeded which was not, frequently started, and always supported by a violent and able journalistic campaign. The Press had enormous power, for good or evil; and it was the duty of any good government to ensure, in as gentle and least a way as possible, that this power was used for good. Man was born, indeed, free; but liberty in any walk of life needed to be curbed and restricted for the common good. Why should the servant be greater and freer than his master, the newspaper alone be free from the limits and restrictions of social life?

For the Star Club, the following spoke—Ho Nga-ming, Lai Sau-nam, Chan Shui-chuen, Leung Kam-yu, Yuen Sau-wood, Oh Sam-tek, and Liao Shui-shing; for the Sword Club, Yu Kwai-ko, Yau Wai-ching, Wong Tung-fan, Chung Heung-kui, Chung Chee-ting and Wong Chin-wah.

On a vote being taken, the Star Club won by three votes!

APPOINTMENTS

H.E. the Governor has appointed Dr. Sterling Tomlinson, B.A., M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O. (Dublin), to be a Medical Officer.

Dr. R. S. Begbie, M.D., Ch.B. (Edin.), M.B.C.P. (Edin.), D.P.M., D.M.H. (Edin.), is to act as Government Bacteriologist during the absence on leave of Dr. A. V. Greaves, M.B. (Tor), M.C.P.S. (Ont.), D.M.S. (Liv.).
Mr. J. W. FitzGerald, Acting Chief Warder, has been appointed Acting Superintendent of Hongkong Prison, until further notice.

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11.00 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal) at the Piano.

Dreaming, A Dream (from 'Yes Madam?'); This Is No Sin (from 'Hiddle-Diddle'); There's Rain in My Eyes (McCarthy-Schwartz); Take Me in Your Arms (Roncoroni).

12.42 Hawaiian Music.

Underneath the Blue Hawaiian Skies—Waltz (Wasserman); Sweet Hawaiian Dream Girl—Waltz (Green and Williams); The Hawaiian Ma-Pina Players; Hawaiian Stars Are Gleaming (Ege and Rosen); Oh! Rosalia (Ege and Liosas); Linn Milford and His Hawaiian Players with Vocal Chorus; Farewell Hawaii (Buechel and Phillips); The Hawaiian Islanders with Vocal Chorus.

1.0 Time and Weather.

1.03 Latest Dance Music.

Quickstep—Hold My Hand; Slow Fox-Trot—Heart And Soul (film 'A Song Is Born'); Gerry Moore (Piano); Fox-Trot—If I Remain Who Cares! A Garden in Granada...Barrie Stanton Quintet; Waltz—Never Break A Promise; Fox-Trot Ride, Tenderfoot, Ride (film 'Romance and Rhythm'); The Organ, The Dance Band and Me (Piano) with refrain; Fox-Trot—Look-A-There; Sit and Stay; Fox-Trot—The Trek Song (film 'We're going to be rich'); Quickstep—I Got Love...The Band Wagoners cond. by Phil Cardew with vocal refrain.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements.

Variety including: Vic Oliver (Florence Desmond); The Mills Brothers and the Ballyhooligans.

Swing Is The Thing (from 'Blackbirds of 1936')...The Mills Brothers (Four Boys and a Guitar); Choo-Choo-Quickstep; China Boy—Quickstep...The Ballyhooligans; In Love Again (from 'Seeing Stars') (With Impressions of Bing Crosby and Ellington); Florence Desmond (Comedian); Vic Oliver (Comedian); Temptation Rag—Fox-Trot; Somebody Stole My Gal—Fox-Trot...The Ballyhooligans; Put On Your Old Grey Bonnet (Murphy and Kenrich); Sleepy Head (Kahn)...The Mills Brothers (Four Boys and a Guitar).

2.15 Close down.

6.0 For The Children.

Childhood Memories (arr. Somers) London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Richard Crenn; Nursery Rhymes; Intro: My Lady Wind; The Bubbles in the Wood; The King of France; A Fox went out Pussycat; Pussy cat; Mary, Mary quite contrary; etc...Uncle George's Party with Orchestra; Studio—Serial Story: "Snow White And The Seven Dwarfs"—Selection...Reginald Foot at the B.B.C. Organ.

6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Dance Music.

Tangos—Tango Illusion; Tango Espanol...Robert Renard Dance Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Wanting You; Quickstep—Land in Sight...Billy Bartholomew and His Dance Orch.

6.45 London Relay—Music-Hall, including Bennett and Williams (Two jovial boys with their phonograph); and Renee Houston and Donald Stewart with The BBC Variety Orchestra, conducted by Charles Shadwell. Presented by John Sharman.

7.45 Quintin Maclean at the Organ.

China Doll Parade (Zamecnik); Babbling Broomstick (Maclean); "The Gigg Diggers Of Broadway"

7.50 Close down.

Selection (Burke)...with the Regal Cinema Orchestra cond. by Emanuel Starkey.

8.0 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Edward German—The Three Dances From Nell Gwyn.

Country Dance; Pastoral Dance, Merry-makers' Dance...Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra conducted by Sir Dan Godfrey.

8.13 Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan.

"The Gondoliers": Of Happiness The Very Best...Derek Oldham, George Baker and Chorus; Rising Early In The Morning...George Baker and Chorus; "The Gondoliers": With Duca! Pomp...Henry A. Lytton, Bertha Lewis and Chorus; On The Day When I Was Wedded...Bertha Lewis; To Help Unhappy Commoners...Henry A. Lytton and Bertha Lewis; "The Gondoliers": Guard! How Say You Maiden Will You Wed...Arthur Hosking, Winifred Lawson and George Baker; I've Jibe and Joke...George Baker (Baritone); 'Tis Done! I Am A Bride...Winifred Lawson (Soprano); The Mikado: Oh, Faithless One...B. Lewis, D. Oldham, E. G. Linn and Chorus; Bruid The Haven Hair...Beatrice Elburn (Soprano) and Chorus of Girls.

8.45 London Relay—"Books"-1.

A weekly series of talks by The Rt. Hon. The Earl of Lytton, K.C., G.C.S.I., G.C.E.

8.50 London Relay—Students' Songs and Sallor Songs.

The BBC's Men's Chorus conducted by Leslie Woodgate with Joseph Farrington (Bass); Students' Songs; There is a Tavern in the Town; The Mermaid; The Tarapulin Jacket; Little Brown Jug; Uddies; Sallor Songs; Singing Johnny; Caroline of Gosport; Johnny Todd; Whitechapel Road; Whiskey Johnny; Billy Boy.

9.00 London Relay—The News.

9.30 Songs by Grace Fielder.

Do You Remember My First Love Song (film 'Queen of Hearts'); Why Did I Have To Meet You? (film 'Queen of Hearts'); Did I Remember? (film 'Suzy')...with Orchestra.

10.0 London Relay—"In Town Tonight".

Introducing personalities from every walk of life in interviews with Lionel Gamlin, flashes from the news of the week, and "Standing on the Corner" (Michael Standing interviews the man in the street). Edited and produced by C. F. Meahan.

10.30 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—There's That Look in Your Eyes Again (film 'Head over Heels'); Smoke Dreams...Peter Yorke and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Slow Fox-Trot—Let's Sing Again (from the film); When You're in Love With Someone—Waltz...Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra; Quickstep—Hunka dula (George White's Scandals); Fox-Trot—According to The Moonlight (George White's Scandals); Harry Rosenthal and His Orchestra; Quickstep—On The Isle Of Kitchy-mibol; Tango—My Lost Love...Henry Jacques with His Concert Dance Tempo Orchestra; Fox-Trot—On A Little Bamboo Bridge; Rainbow On The River (from the film)...Billy Bisset and His Orchestra with vocal Refrain.

11.0 Close down.

NEW LIFE MOVEMENT

A public address will be given by the Rev. George Shepherd, M.A., D.D., at St. John's Hall Hongkong University, on Thursday at 7.45 p.m., his subject being "The New Life Movement and the War." All are welcome to attend the lecture, which promises to be interesting, since the speaker has had a long and close connection with Chinese affairs in the interior in his official capacity of adviser to the New Life Movement.

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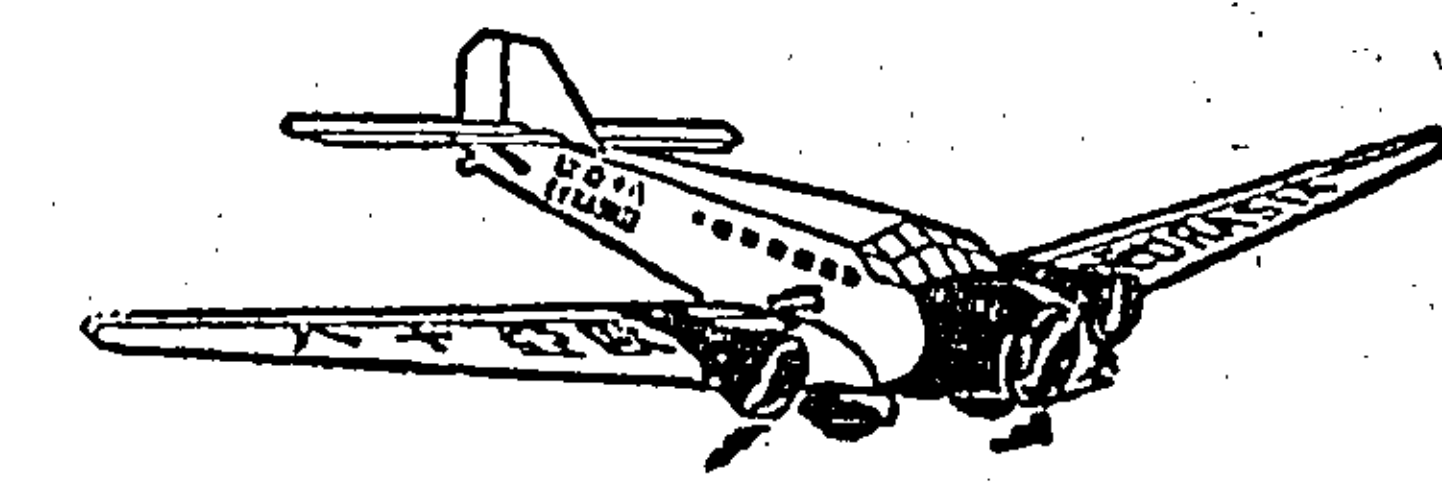
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What is it all about? Are we all going blind, or turning into peering Welshian creatures wearing lenses from birth to death? I consulted several experts, all smugly bespectacled. Here is their story.

DEATH

GUZDAR.—At the Queen Mary Hospital, on January 20, 1939 Dr. Jamshed Sorab Guzdar, aged 35 years, Cortege will pass the Monument to-day at 5.15 p.m. (Shanghai papers please copy)

The
Hongkong Telegraph.
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New Order

In this country the number of people who wear glasses is at its highest to-day. About 38 per cent. of the population either wear or need to wear them. Roughly one-third of us actually do use them at some time or other.

The statisticians have divided us into three groups. In the schoolchild group, a total of ten per cent. have defective sight. Of the people between 15 and 45 years of age as many as 15 per

FROM time immemorial, diplomats have spoken a language of their own. Two thousand years ago, it was Greek: the Apostle Paul, fighting off a brawling crowd, evoked from one Asiatic Governor the surprised query, "Canst thou speak Greek?"

The Greek civilisation of Rome declined, and the young nations used as their *lingua franca* and their official tongue, Latin. Queen Elizabeth, though no Romanist, roundly abused one of the Ambassadors to her court in the Roman tongue.

More recently, the language of diplomacy was French. Secretaries of State for Foreign

Affairs, Under-Secretaries, Am-
 bassadors, and even attaches
 whose job was to send flowers to
 the right people and wear the
 right clothes on the right occa-
 sions, all were required to do
 one thing whatever else they did
 not do: speak—even think—in
 French.

About the meetings and conversations of statesmen a whole crop of French phrases grew up. One made a *demarche*. One concluded not an alliance but an *entente*. One was relieved not by a lightning of the tension but a *détente*. One wrote, and even spoke, in the third person in the French manner.

The average diplomat of the

old school would report in some such fashion as this: "I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that I made a successful *démarche* and conveyed to His Excellency the Minister, Your

Exccllency, the Minister, Your Excellency's instructions. I was favoured with a subsequent interview at which we had a conversation in which I expressed to His Excellency Your Excellency's view that H.M. Government would take a grave view of the

cent. are faulty. And (contradict the experts, not me) all the people over 45 have eye defects and need occasional or permanent glasses.

And this does not take into account the remaining children too young or too difficult to classify. The figure is over and above those who already know that they need them.

Many of these who should wear glasses do not—for one of two reasons. Vanity or ignorance. Though 60 women for every 40 men consult oculists about their sight, I very much doubt whether the actual spectacle-wearing proportions are the same. Women, especially young women, would rather grope through misty lives than see through glass.

ments) has 18 million, which suggests slightly better sight of a Guns Before Spectacles policy

Then ignorant. So we don't seem to be particularly imaginative. CS in sight compared with other places.

perfect when Is our eyestight progressive really they are deteriorating? Superficial figures ruining it for would seem to show it. But lack of spectacle-ologists believe that it is remain- cles. Recently much the same, but that the army au- more of us are wearing glasses authorities a t because more of us realise that Home announced we need them. Also—a mos- that 11 per cent. important factor—more of u- the can now afford them.

batch of en- In the bad old days countless
listers were thousands were unable to buy, and
turned down because broken glasses.

turned down be- replace broken, glassen
cause of defects Some forms of eye defect
in sight. Yet are, it is true, increasin

these men would not have tried to enter had they been aware of these defects.

I'm sorry to do a bogey act, must set improved lighting but probably a tenth of the total larger windows in homes and

factories, better print and vastly better standard of eye treatment.

The increase is not a "true" increase. And, in a few years, scientific preventive and curative treatment may turn even that into a decrease. Eyesight is likely to improve.

One rather sinister factor, which demands action from the authorities is that of the people who are needlessly ruining their sight by wearing completely unsuitable glasses. Thousands of Chinese in Hongkong ruin their eyes in this manner by buying glasses over the counter or from hawkers in the streets, without first having their eyes tested.

Eyesight changes, and it is only sensible to consult your oculist once a year.

The British optical industry, once sadly myopic, is now waking up. In 1931 of the spectacle frames sold here most were foreign. But to-day frames and lenses are British. And also Britain is turning out some excellent new gadgets which will make life easier for us biglamps.

One of the biggest new inventions is that of "plastic glass"—a synthetic product made, I believe, from coal tar, which is easily moulded and worked, very light and almost unbreakable. Also it is more transparent than the finest optical glass.

It is likely to revolutionize the making of lenses of every sort and to reduce greatly the price of previously costly spectacles.

Interesting especially
women, sportsmen and people
like me who break their frames
every week, is the "contact lens."
A minute saucer-shaped bit
glass the size of a sixpence which
actually fits on to the eye-ball,

Slipped each morning beneath the eyelids it sits secure and completely invisible over the eye and naturally gives a perfect field of vision. It is said to be unbearable in the eye.

ing. I have never tried these lens
as they are expensive and some

harm times demand many "fitting" before they fit the eyeball exam. But they should make ma-

and converts.'

What effect is such phraseology likely to have on the son of an Italian blacksmith, on a German peasant, on an Austrian painter?

It is all to the good that the polite fictions should be blown off of existence by the dynamite of genuine oratory. There is no language of diplomacy for Mussolini's "If I advance, follow me; if I retreat, kill me; if I average me," none in Hitler's "One People, one State, one Leader;" still less in Stalin's speaking firing squad, purging treason from his union of republics.

It is good that polite fiction should be replaced by—the truth. That a German should speak like a man and an Englishman English. There is—even with interpretation—less likelihood of misunderstanding.

But if the truth is to be spoken, it must be spoken openly. The promise of Open Democracy, made 20 years ago and honoured like so many idealistic promises made since 1918, is the greatest safeguard of a permanent peace.

The language of diplomacy landed us in the war of 1914 when Edward Grey refused to tell Prince Lichnowsky that Britain would, certainly and definitely, fight on the side of France. The language of polite fiction

put Abyssinia into the lap of Signor Mussolini, who does not speak it; Austria into the hands of Herr Hitler, who does not speak it; China under the (Achilles) heel of Japan, who does not speak it; and now, given all and more than all

demanded less than a month to Herr Hitler, who understands only one British speech—the billiard of the Navy.

If we talk to the dictators, must talk their language, they cannot speak ours.

WHOLESALE PRICES

SLIGHT DECREASE IN THE COLONY DURING PAST YEAR

FOODSTUFFS AND TEXTILES

The Imports and Exports Department reports that according to an index number constructed at the Statistical Office wholesale prices in the Colony of Hongkong during the year 1938 show a general average decrease of 0.4% as compared with 1937, and increases of 26.7% as compared with 1936, 67.7% as compared with 1935, and 30.6 as compared with the base period of 1922.

Foodstuffs decreased by 3.4% as compared with 1937, and increased by 16.2% as compared with 1936, 54.1% as compared with 1935, and 31.3% as compared with 1922. Textiles decreased by 1.4% as compared with 1937, and increased by 16.8% as compared with 1936, 56.5% as compared with 1935, and 28.2% as compared with 1922. Metals and Minerals increased by 0.8% as compared with 1937, 37.4% as compared with 1936, 84.6% as compared with 1935, and 47.3% as compared with 1922. Miscellaneous Articles increased by 2.3% as compared with 1937, 37.0% as compared with 1936, 70.1% as compared with 1935, and 27.3% as compared with 1922. The following table shows the course of price changes since 1933:

	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938
Foodstuffs	113.4	94.3	85.4	113.3	130.2	131.6
Textiles	107.0	85.9	74.2	89.4	117.7	116.1
Metals and Minerals	107.0	97.4	79.0	107.2	146.1	147.3
Miscellaneous	95.7	88.5	72.3	92.5	124.4	127.3
Average	103.5	91.5	77.0	103.1	131.1	130.0

	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938
Beans	101.3	83.9	78.7	121.4	145.4	135.9
Beef	173.2	121.3	128.0	161.1	186.9	178.2
Eggs	95.7	86.0	73.6	93.0	107.7	103.3
Flour (Wheat)	85.7	75.8	66.3	104.4	141.2	118.1
Salt Fish	153.4	137.1	113.9	97.5	106.9	100.2
Fruits, Fresh	250.1	233.0	201.5	256.2	310.0	303.2
Lard	101.2	78.5	82.7	113.2	146.2	105.6
Milk (Condensed)	170.9	137.9	111.4	109.5	115.6	130.3
Onions	130.4	143.2	116.7	172.7	183.7	187.5
Peas	101.7	83.8	88.8	94.4	94.9	134.3
Peanut Oil	101.7	74.1	84.7	131.3	151.3	111.6
Pork	100.6	87.3	77.3	97.3	151.9	124.4
Potatoes	86.2	71.8	60.4	88.0	102.8	134.7
Poultry	117.0	88.8	80.1	92.2	124.7	118.1
Rice (Broken)	88.9	66.1	68.6	103.0	133.0	125.8
Rice (White)	93.5	72.2	71.4	106.3	123.5	120.9
Sugar (Raw)	78.7	60.5	43.3	71.8	92.2	86.0
Vegetables (Dried etc.)	45.2	45.4	46.6	55.5	56.1	50.5
Vermicelli	80.3	66.0	63.3	84.7	112.4	123.9

	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938
Cotton Yarn	92.3	86.2	77.1	105.0	128.5	119.5
Cotton (Dyed Plain)	77.6	66.3	57.2	60.9	89.2	95.3
Italians (Dyed Figured, Plain)	61.8	61.6	57.3	69.2	109.2	90.6
Shirtings (White 40/43 Yards)	68.8	51.2	38.9	50.3	69.6	60.2
Hemp (Manilla)	80.8	64.7	67.4	140.0	186.2	102.2
Gunny Bags	220.5	183.9	147.8	197.8	214.5	184.5
Hessian Cloth	73.6	62.4	42.2	96.0	50.3	53.8
Silk Piece Goods	72.2	63.4	56.4	63.9	63.2	72.7
Silk Yarn (Artificial)	40.0	30.0	19.0	20.5	27.9	32.7
Blankets (Wool & Union)	101.5	94.7	78.1	106.6	113.9	149.3
Flannels	181.2	175.2	203.6	216.2	274.1	317.6
Suitings & Tweeds (Woolen)	93.7	91.5	44.3	61.5	89.8	105.8

CLIPPER PASSENGER

Flying Round World On Holiday Trip

The Pan-American Clipper arrived just after midday on Saturday carrying five passengers. They included Mr. Mark Watson, for whom the Pacific hop was but one stage in an air journey which will carry him round the world.

Mr. Watson was a passenger from San Francisco. After a few days in Hongkong, he will take plane again for his home in England, travelling via India-China, Siam, and the Dutch East Indies. His trip is purely a holiday.

Mr. M. C. S. Tanunlong, manager of Luzon Industrial Corporation, Manila, and President of the Manila Chinese Y.M.C.A., came with the plane from Manila. Known in the Philippines as the "Coconut King," Mr. Tanunlong is here on a business trip.

Mr. H. C. Lamond, of the American Lead Pencil Company, arrived on his annual business tour. He will spend about 10 days in Hongkong before going to Shanghai. When his business in the East is over he will return to the States by Clipper.

The other passengers were Mr. E. Browner, Buxton, P.A.A. American staff man, and Mr. O. Fick. The Clipper left Hongkong early yesterday morning. Mr. Buxton and Mr. Dar Juan Dalmaico, who flew to Manila.

Empire Mails Arrive
Mails from Australia and England arrived by Imperial Airways early on Saturday afternoon. A second plane came in, carrying passengers.

AIR FRANCE DEPARTS
An Air France plane left Kai Tak early on Saturday morning for France. There were eight passengers, including Mr. M. J. Meier, for Hanoi.

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The following further subscriptions have been received by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation for credit of the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China, Hongkong & South China Branch:

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SALVATION ARMY

The S. C. M. Post has received the following donation to the Salvation Army in memory of the late Dr. Irvin Kew:

Mr. W. Elliott, \$25; Anonymous, \$50; E.A.W., \$40; Miss J. W. Buckwell, \$20; Mr. and Mrs. J. Owen Hughes, \$50.

PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

The S. C. M. Post has received the following donations to the Society for the Protection of Children in memory of the late Dr. Irvin Kew: John and Rosemary Labrum, \$2; Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Smalley, \$8.

DONATIONS AWAITING

Donations are lying at the Business Office of the South China Morning Post for the following:
Tung Wah Hospital; Emergency Refugees Council; Street Sweepers Shelter Society; St. John Ambulance Association; S.P.C.A.; Dr. Barnardo's Homes; Boys' Home; B.F.R.D.C.; Salvation Army.

Peace Saved P.P.U. Meeting

Britain Took Only Course Open

London, Jan. 28.
"Without an improvement in Anglo-Italian relations I could never have obtained Signor Mussolini's co-operation last September, and without his co-operation, I don't believe peace could have been saved," declared Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, speaking at the Jewellers' Association dinner, in Birmingham.

"A great deal of criticism has been directed against the Munich Agreement and against the action I took in attempting, by personal contact, to obtain a peaceful solution to a problem which very nearly involved the world in a catastrophe of the first magnitude."

"Criticism comes from various quarters, but there is a feature common to all critics. None of them has the responsibility that has upon me; none of them has that full knowledge of all the circumstances that is only open to His Majesty's Government. For myself, looking back, I see nothing to regret nor any reason to suppose another course would have been preferable. War to-day is so terrible in its effects on those who take part in it, and it brings so much loss and suffering even to those who stand aside and watch the combat from the ring, that it ought never to be allowed to begin unless every practical and honourable step has been taken to prevent it."

"That has been the view of this Government from the beginning and the Munich Agreement is only an incident in its consistent and unfaltering policy of peace. I go further and say that the preservation of peace last September was only made possible by the events which preceded it, by the exchange of letters between myself and Signor Mussolini in the summer of 1937 and by the conclusion of the Anglo-Italian Agreement of February 1938."

Fruits of Rome Visit

"Without the improvement of relations between this country and Italy I could never have obtained Mussolini's co-operation last September and without his co-operation I don't believe peace could have been saved."

Alluding to the visit to Rome, the Premier said: We went to Rome to get to know the Italian statesmen better, to ascertain by personal discussion what their point of view was and to make sure they understood ourselves. We accomplished all these things. We accomplished all these things, and although there was complete frankness of speech on both sides, although we did not convert or attempt to convert one another to our point of view on any subject on which we might differ, yet I can say we came away better friends than when we went there.—Reuter.

Continuing Mr. Chamberlain said that his and Lord Halifax's visit to Rome has been criticised by people apparently determined to obstruct every attempt to carry out the wishes of the British and Italian people to live on good terms of friendship, to understand and settle differences by discussion and not by force.

That was true, not only in Italy and Britain, but equally in France and Germany. "Let us cultivate the friendship of these peoples. That can be done by individuals, by traders, as well as by more official representatives. Let us make it clear to them that we don't regard them as potential enemies, but rather as human beings like ourselves, with whom we are always prepared to talk in terms of equality with an open mind and to hear their point of view, and satisfy, as far as we can, any reasonable aspirations that they may cherish and which do not conflict with the general rights of others to liberty and justice."

"In that way alone we shall remove these eternal suspicions that poison the international atmosphere and get back our security of mind and that confidence which is the life and blood of a successful enterprise. We cannot forget that, though it takes at least two to make peace, we can make war. And until we have some clear understandings in which all political tensions are swept away we must put ourselves in a position to defend ourselves against attack, whether upon our land, our people or our principles of freedom, which our existence as a democracy is bound up, and which, to us, seem to enshrine the highest attributes of human life and spirit."

Rearmament Programme

"It is for this purpose, the purpose of defence and not attack, that we are pursuing the task of rearmament with unrelenting vigour and with the full approval of the country. It has taken us a long time, but progress is now being made more rapidly every day and in all directions."

Mr. Chamberlain then detailed the progress of all branches of the services during the year ending March 31. Sixty new warships of a total tonnage of 130,000 tons will have been added to the Navy by then and for the ensuing twelve months the addition will be even larger, namely about 70 ships with a total tonnage of 150,000 tons.

The air force has been going ahead at an equally remarkable rate during the last few months when Britain doubled the rate of aircraft production and good progress was also made in recruiting. The deficiencies in anti-aircraft defences, apparent in September, have largely been removed and the position has very greatly improved, not only as regards the increase in guns, but also in organisation.

Emphasising on his National Volunteer Service, the Premier said: "If we should ever be involved in war we may well find that if we are not all in the firing line we may all be in the line of fire. And in meeting that danger there is a new opportunity, and service for the civilian population in the various branches of civil defence."

"We are now seeking to build up a vast civil defence force to be embodied in the professional army in time of war and to rely on citizens in general of the responsibilities of their own defence. Our task is to find people for certain definite jobs and not find jobs for the whole of the people."

Referring to the plans for civil defence, Mr. Chamberlain said: "I am not afraid of the results of our appeal for voluntary workers. The spirit of service is ever present in our people and was never stronger than it is to-day. Our motto is neither defiance nor defence. It is defence and we confidently count on the response of the nation to show our determination to make that defence invincible."

Concluding Mr. Chamberlain regretted that it should be necessary to devote so much time and such a vast proportion of the revenue of the country to the necessary preparations. "I feel it is now time that others should make their contribution. The air is full of rumours and suspicions which ought not to be allowed to persist. For peace could only be endangered by such a challenge as was envisaged by the President of the United States in his New Year message, namely, a demand to dominate the world by force. That would be a demand which, as the President and I have already declared, Democracies must definitely resist. I cannot believe that such a challenge, if it were to be so grave that no Government would lightly embark upon war."

"Moreover I remain convinced that there are no differences howsoever serious, that cannot be solved without reciprocal concessions, consultation and negotiation as laid down by the Munich declaration."—Reuter.

Press Reaction

London, Jan. 28.
Once again Mr. Neville Chamberlain has asked for "a sign." London press commentators, in addition to underlining the former passages of the Premier's speech, lay emphasis on the immediate importance of his remark that our attitude is defined beyond understanding and its new time for others to make their contribution. This is regarded as a direct question for Hitler to reply to on Monday.

In the course of a leader the Observer remarks, "Sudeland is not the same thing as French or British sovereignty territories. It is worse than idle on our side to disguise the anxiety with which the outcome is awaited or on the other side to mistake the cold rigid front that awaits an aggressor."—Reuter.

WELCOMED IN PARIS

France Hopes for Peaceful Gesture from Dictators

Paris, Jan. 28.
The firm tone of Mr. Chamberlain's courteous and conciliatory speech in Birmingham is welcomed in Paris as a pendant to M. Edouard Daladier's speech in the Chamber. Like M. Daladier, it is noted, Mr. Chamberlain held out a friendly hand towards Italy and expressed belief in the possibility of discussions between France and Germany. Like Mr. Daladier he dealt with the necessity of strength in defence, with a firm stand for peace.

The phrase "Our motto is neither defiance nor defence; it is defence," is held to sum up admirably the task immediately ahead of the great Democracies. Hope is also expressed that the invitation to Italy and Germany to make a contribution to peace will be heard and perhaps bring forth some response in the speeches of Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini.—Reuter.

American Views

Washington, Jan. 28.
Mr. Neville Chamberlain's speech is interpreted here as a welcome revelation of a more resolute attitude against further international blackmail. Circles close to the Government believe that come what may Mr. Chamberlain will remain an optimist to the last.

The reference to Signor Mussolini's speech after Mr. Daladier's acclamation of the fall of Barcelona as a victory for Fascism has caused some surprise. Many wish they could share the Premier's optimism especially in view of the fact that the Italian Fascist triumph in Spain with a third of Britain and France in the Mediterranean and the pressure exerted on three fronts.—Reuter.

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A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

By a Royal warrant received at Woolwich it is ordered that the Commissariat and Transport Staff shall be abolished, and that the Commissariat and Transport Corps shall in future be designated "the Army Service Corps."

The body of an unknown woman was found yesterday morning in the street of a populous suburb of London. At the Coroner's inquest to-day, physicians declared that the woman had been murdered by strangulation. A mark on the neck showed a small cord had been tied tightly around it. She was of low character. When the body was found it was still warm and was lying in an open thoroughfare. There is no possibility that the woman could have taken her own life and possibly it is another White-chapel case.—Ed.

The "Star" publishes interviews with physicians who had given testimony at the Coroner's inquests in the cases of the previous East End murders, with the conclusion that the recent popular strangling was the work of the White-chapel fiend.—This was the famous "Jack the Ripper."—Ed.

News from Panama says that Do Lesseps to-day telegraphed that the continuation of work on the Panama canal was assured.—Do Lesseps, builder of the Suez, was forced to abandon his Panama project after countless lives had been claimed by the ubiquitous mosquito, whose malarial qualities were then unknown.—Ed.

25 YEARS AGO

Last night Lady May was "at home" to the members of the Young Women's Christian Association, and the occasion was marked by the attendance of some 125 ladies. During the course of the evening, the Secretary, Mrs. G. T. Edkins, read a letter which had been received from Ella Kadorie and Lady May's answer.

On the strength of these letters a vote was formally put to the gathering that the name Y.W.C.A. be changed to that of the "Women's Institute" and later to take the name of the "Helena May Institute for Women." The motion was unanimously carried.

Mr. Kadorie's letter promised to give a sum of \$15,000, or, if necessary, \$20,000, to establish the Women's Institute, provided the public raise a like sum.

While Mr. Lloyd George's demand for the reduction of our defences has caused surprise and resentment in France, it has aroused the usual scorn in Germany. The Post which is quoted by the Telegraph's correspondent, states:— "After Mr. Churchill we now have Mr. Lloyd George too. But it is positively a ridiculous exaggeration to talk of 'infinitely more friendly relations' to Germany. The relationships between England and Germany are at the moment not bad, but that is really all that can be said. But no, as his mouthful as possible must be again taken."

The Berliner Neueste Nachrichten says:— "Like two moths round the light, the English Ministers, Churchill and Lloyd George, flutter continually about the 'disarmament' lamp. They have already more than once burnt their wings a bit, but it is nothing—ever again the seductive glow draws them into its evil circle. At last, it seems that Mr. Lloyd George's words are to be the prologue to a fresh disarmament comedy of England."

Arrangements have now been got in hand for the early commencement of the actual erection of the new railway station on Kowloon Point. The foundations have been down for some considerable time and we understand that the contract for the iron work of the building has been practically fixed up with a local Company. When this is ready for delivery, as it should be in some six or seven weeks' time, the superstructure will be commenced.

The official opening of the new Kiel Canal, which connects the war ports of the North Sea and Baltic, and is provided with the most commodious works of their kind in the world, will take place next April. The completion of the work will be marked by ceremonies, at which the Kaiser will preside, of a character befitting the event. In the opinion of naval strategists the work will immensely strengthen the striking efficiency of the German fleet.

10 YEARS AGO

With the National Government facing a possible deficit on the Budget for the current financial year, President Coolidge has issued a warning urging that rigid economy in Federal expenditure must be continued. He adds that the rapidly mounting cost of the State and local Governments must be sharply curtailed if national prosperity is to be maintained.

Addressing members of the Kowloon Y.M.C.A. last evening, in the first of a series of talks on China, Dr. S. Y. Wong said:— "The new Chinese Central Government will only be a success, if China is left alone and allowed to have a free hand. We cannot succeed if we interfere in the internal affairs of China. We shall have a representative government like Western nations, in the course of time, if we can get peace, order and the spread of education in our country—and we shall only get this if foreign Powers do not interfere with us."

"Your hat will be arrested," said Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning to a Chinese who wore his headgear in Court. The offender was ordered to return in two hours' time to retrieve his hat, which was detained by the Court.

5 YEARS AGO

In an exhibition game of billiards at Shamshuipo last night, Willie Smith defeated A. J. Osmond, Hongkong Champion, to which he conceded 500 points in 1,000, by 1,000 to 908. The professional's best breaks were 120, 70, 116, 74 and 71. Osmond made 40 and 57 breaks. In a game of snooker Osmond received 20 and beat Smith by 80 to 20.

Spelling Bee

How many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?
antideulvian sforzando
antepulvium saxonagury
millenium sexenial
English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 9.

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SOUTH CHINA "A" BEATEN 2-1 BY EASTEN ELEVEN

LEAGUE HOPES JEOPARDISED BY REVERSE

(By "Abe")

South China "A" lost two valuable points in their race for the First Division championship of the Football League with the Navy when they were defeated by two goals to one by Eastern on the Club ground yesterday. On the day's performance, they fully deserved to lose: their opponents were the nipper side and took full advantage of their opportunities in the first half.

The absence of Li Tin-sang from his accustomed position at left back made a considerable difference in the South China defence, which was very shaky right through. Leung Wing-chiu, who took over Li's berth, obviously was not happy in his new position, and after Eastern had taken a lead of 2-0, he changed over with Lee Kwok-wai, who made a far better job of it.

Nevertheless, Li's steady influence was missed badly. South China's defenders yesterday were far too flustered, especially after their opponents had forged ahead, and in a way, the Caroline Hill men were lucky to get away with such a narrow defeat.

On the other hand, Eastern's back and half-backs by first-time tackling, were able to keep out the South China forwards, who were never allowed to settle down to play their usual smooth game. Soong Ling-sing, the pivot, played a great part in Eastern's victory with his fine defensive play. He stuck to Fung King-cheung like a long-lost brother, and as a result the South China leader, who usually distributes his passes so well to his colleagues, was unable to find his men with the same regularity. The backs, Chung Chung-wan and Mew Wah-kwok, also defended stoutly, the latter's first-time kicking being a feature of his play.

FORWARDS INEFFECTIVE

With Fung King-cheung more or less bottled up, the South China forward line's effectiveness was reduced considerably. Neither Lai Shiu-wing nor Kwok Ying-kee, the two inside forwards, was able to receive the passes on which they usually thrive, and though both Law Tui-man and Tang Kwong-sum, the wingers, now and again found passes to their liking, these were rare and far between.

The re-shuffling of the half-back line succeeded in stopping further goals, but in keeping out the Eastern forwards the intermediates had little time to help in the attack. So, while the defence was strengthened

after being two goals down, the attack remained the same weak, unreliable machine.

Actually Eastern's forwards were far more dangerous when on the move. Chan Bing-to (outside right), Lee Tak-kee (centre-forward) and Hsu Ching-to (outside left) were the key men. Their thrusts were swift. South China's defenders found this out in the first few minutes when a centre from Chan Bing-to was headed into the net by Lee, who had to jump high to get to the ball. Then a few minutes later, in another lightning raid, Lee sent Hsu away, and the latter cut in to beat Pau Ka-plung for the second goal.

Hsu King-shing, more accustomed to playing in the half-back line, turned out at inside left. He was a hard-worker, but too often nullified his efforts by hanging on the ball over-long, when a pass to one of his colleagues would have had better results to his side.

LISTLESS SIDE

The whole South China side seemed listless. At least they were almost always a yard slower on the ball than their opponents, and though Lai Shiu-wing reduced the deficit before the whistle blew for half-time they were unable to score the equalising goal.

Towards the end of the second period, Eastern packed their goal, and at certain stages of the encounter, there were only two or three men in the South China half during a raid. But the policy paid. Try as they did, South China were unable to penetrate the defence and the final whistle blew with Eastern worthy winners.

Teams: South China "A"—Pau Ka-plung; Mak Siu-hon, Leung Wing-chiu; Chang Ngol-cheung, Lau Hing-choi; Lee Kwok-wai; Tang Kwong-sum, Lai Shiu-wing, Fung King-cheung, Kwok Ying-kee and Law Tui-man. Eastern—Lau Hin-hon; Chang Chung-wan, Mew Wah-kwok; Lau Chi-chuen, Soong Ling-sing, Lo Wai-kuen; Chan Bing-to, Ng Kee-cheung, Lee Tak-kee, Hsu King-shing and Hsu Ching-to.



"I'm Louis' master," insists Max Schmeling, the German boxer, who is now on his way to America. This picture tends to prove otherwise; it was taken 2 minutes and four seconds after the start of their title fight last June when Louis knocked him out. Schmeling first said that his visit to New York was a combination of business and pleasure, but it is now reported that he is angling for a return fight with the negro champion.

Indians Just Manage To Win A Point In Game Against C.C.C.

Though cricket matches generally on Saturday appear to have been of a very exciting variety, it would take a good deal to improve on the games which were played at the Valley. At Craigengower, the Indian R.C.—Craigengower C.C. struggle was renewed again, with the Indians barely managing to thwart their rivals of two points and save one for themselves.

Minu won the toss, and contrary to the expectations of Craigengower, sent the home team in to bat. This in view of the fact that the wicket there is known to be playing badly in the second innings! Craigengower, however, were taking no chances, and scoring at times was laborious. Minu, early on, appeared to have found a "spot" which was regarded apprehensively for the balls popped up alarmingly. However, though the ball was turning quite a bit, it seemed a batsman's wicket. The Indians' catching surprisingly, was bad, though it was redeemed by a most brilliant one by Nazarin just on the boundary; but the ground fielding was good. An astonishing number of catches were put down.

Souza's return to form was welcomed by his team-mates, and though he collected 45, his innings was far from being his soundest. The true excitement of the match was in the end. The Indians opened with Y. el Arculli and K. Nazarin who were progressing at a rate that would have brought victory when Nazarin was run out. A. H. Madar joined Arculli, and both were also shaping confidently when the latter was caught and bowled by Billimoria.

A BRILLIANT CATCH Minu came in and the field dropped out, but A. K. Ismail in the end, and close in, took a "hot" one off Francis Zimmern to send Minu back. It was a wonderful one-

AUSTRALIAN TENNIS

Melbourne, Jan. 28. In the final of the women's Lawn Tennis singles championship of Australia to-day, Mrs. E. Westcott beat Mrs. H. Hopman 6-1, 6-2. In the men's doubles final, John Bromwich and Adrian Quist beat Donald Turnbull and Long 6-4, 7-5, 6-2.—Reuter.

handed catch, above and behind the head. This, apparently, was the turn of the tide, for A. R. Kitchell mis-timed Ismail and was held by Souza; Madar was scooped off the ground with one hand by E. Zimmern in the slips, and M. el Arculli was brilliantly run out by Souza. The clock ticked on, and Craigengower's fieldsmen clustered around the remaining batsmen like flies around a jam-pot. One from F. R. Zimmern shot through and took K. M. Rummah's wicket, and a little later Ismail All put his foot in front of a straight "un" from Billimoria. Tension was high. Chaps in the pavilion couldn't hold their glasses without stopping some of the contents.

Meanwhile, at the other end, S. A. Ismail was doing his "stuff" with a but as dead as yesterday's news. M. P. Madar was bowled by Billimoria in the second last over, leaving nine balls to go with one wicket to fall. Zimmern (F.R.) took the last over and on his third ball, A. T. Lee (Continued on Page 9.)

CLUB RUGBY SIDE MUCH TOO GOOD FOR REST FIFTEEN

Happy Augury For Next Saturday's Interport

(By "Fly-Half")

On Saturday afternoon on the Club ground, the team picked to represent the Club to play in the Interport against Malaya which takes place next Saturday, met a team drawn from the Rest of the Colony. It was obvious from the kick-off that Club would have a comfortable victory in view of the fact that not one of the regular Navy players was included in the Rest team; and so it proved.

However, the game was far from drab because the Rest forwards put up a great fight against their more formidable opponents, and it was not until near the end of the game that they were subdued. Culmer, a teen-stone forward, played a stout game, being prominent in most of the forward rushes made by the Rest pack. He was ably assisted by Cuthbertson, Berry and Page. Potter was the main spring in the Rest backs until he was injured. He received a good service from Rutherford, who put in a good afternoon's work. This was Rutherford's first appearance in many weeks. Thomas, out on the wing, was seldom called into action except in defence and then he was generally left with two men to deal with.

GOOD CLUB PACK

There was a comfortable look about the packing of the Club pack which augurs well for them in next Saturday's game. Peers and Walkden are perfectly matched in the second row where they bound well. Salter, with the push in his favour, gained possession of the ball in the set scrums almost repeatedly. In the line-outs, the Rest forwards were equally as good as the Club men, especially Culmer and Berry. The Club wing three were rather careless in their throwing-in, placing the ball without discretion. Henderson was once again in fine form. His quick passing was fairly safe and caused no uneasiness. One or twice he broke through on his own and showed a clean pair of heels. MacGrath was far too individualistic at stand-off half. He had a bad habit of running across instead of passing out when he saw his way barred in front.

PRACTICE FOR THREES

The Club threes were seldom called upon in defence and found little difficulty in piercing their opponents' three-line. The wing threes, when in possession, had little more than to run for the line. It appeared that, with the Club threes meeting such poor opposition, they were endeavouring to indulge in as much inter-passing as possible. Points ahead were tried frequently by the Club wing threes when a long cross-kick would have been more profitable. Often forwards were up waiting in vain for a cross-kick. Watts started the game at stand-off half but after ten minutes' play changed places with MacGrath, the Club's regular full-back. The former had very little to do. Chadwick (2), Henderson and Redman scored tries for the Club in the first half. Henderson's effort was typical of him—from a scrum on the Rest's line, he flung himself over the line. Watson converted two.

Berry and Doe kicked penalty goals for the Rest. Club were on many occasions penalised for off-sides. Chadwick, Grieve, Bidwell and Stewart (2) scored unconverted tries for the Club. Potter forced his way over for the Rest's only try which was not improved upon.

Teams: Club 1st XV—E. M. Watts; D. H. Stewart; H. D. Bidwell; W. E. Grieve; C. K. Chadwick; M. W. McGraw; J. R. Henderson; K. A. Watson; K. W. Salter; Dr. E. W. Stout; A. F. Walkden; W. E. Peers; J. Redman; A. J. G. Taylor; W. D. Richardson. The Rest—L/Cpl. Neal; F.O. Thomas; L/Cpl. Doe; Ldg. Sea. Stead; Lt. Whibley; Lt. Potter; R. Rutherford; Sub. Lt. Hain; Cpl. Morgan; Wtr. Packer; Sub. Lt. Culmer; L/Cpl. Sutherland; L/Sgt. Page; Pte. Berry and Lt. N. H. Cuthbertson.

CLUB "A" BEATEN A team drawn from H.M.S. Tamar and the Small Ships defeated the Club "A" by 17 points (a goal and four tries) to six points (two tries). The Navy men were superior at forward, especially in the loose where Thorburn excelled. Clark was the better of the scrum-halves, his vis-a-vis Hopkins being out of position. Danziel was the pick of the Club forwards.

Scorers for the Tamar and Small Ships were Clark (2), Thorburn (2) and Ferris, while Ashton converted one. Van Leeuwen and Bosanquet scored unconverted tries for the Club.

INTER-HONG SOFTBALL COMMENCES

Following are the scores of yesterday's softball games: Men.—Canadian Chinese 3, English Forum 2, Central British 10, St. Joseph's 6. Women.—Canadian Chinese 15, Central British 2, Cubs 45, Panthers 17, Wildcats 19, Recreio 13. Inter-Hong.—Netherlands Bank 11, Texaco 6, Shell Oil 5, National City Bank 3. Men's League Standing

Team	W	L	Pts
Chinese Baseballers	7	1	777
Netherlands	6	2	750
Recreio	6	2	571
Philippo	4	4	500
Canadian Chinese	4	4	444
Trojans	4	4	428
Central British	3	5	428
Machine Gunners	3	5	375
English Forum	3	5	285
Hongkong Baseballers	1	7	125
St. Joseph's	1	7	125

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SECOND HOCKEY INTERPORT TRIAL HELD

PROVIDED LITTLE OF INTEREST TO CROWD

(By "The Pilgrim")

The second Hockey Interport trial, held on the Club ground at King's Park yesterday morning, proved of little interest to the spectators. Little new was learned by the selectors.

The first half, which ended in a 1-1 draw, provided some good play, but the second period, after changes had been made, was a scrappy affair in which bad shooting by the Colours' attack was the main feature. This half also ended in a 1-1 draw.

The Colours took the lead in the first half through Fonseca, who had no hesitation in snapping up a partial clearance by King to flick the ball past Gonsalves for a neat goal. After a ding-dong struggle, in which both defences excelled, G. Singh, at inside left, opened up matters for the Whites with a good goal.

G. Singh and Pyara Singh, in the Whites' left flank, provided the danger in the attack, but Kennedy, at centre-forward, and Pritam Nath, at inside right, could not work up a combination. The latter, though displaying clever stickwork, more often than not sent the ball too far out for Smith on the right wing.

BEST DEFENDERS

Gonsalves, at right back, and W. A. Reed, at centre-half, for the Whites, were easily the best defenders.

For the Colours, the intermediate line of Hussain, Hook and N. Whitley gave a fine display, with Hook at centre-half stealing the honours. Bond, at right back, was fast in his tackling, but Sommer, his partner, failed to impress.

Bartlett, Kraus and Fonseca, the inside trio, placed individualism before combination and their standard of play was never very high as a result. The first-named had a glorious opportunity of scoring when he broke through in a solo effort, but he finished up poorly. Miller was a dashing left winger who displayed poor stick-work and little was seen of S. Fowler, who was practically starved on the right wing.

On the run of play, Colours should have had a 2-1 victory over the Whites.

SECOND HALF

Though play in this half was scrappy, a better combination in the Colours' defence was noticeable. Benwell, in goal, did some splendid work when he made two brilliant clearances off Pyara Singh and Kennedy. The two full backs, Bond and Gonsalves, worked well together, demonstrating a good understanding. Hassan, Hook and N. Whitley were again in the picture and made a mess of the attempts of Pritam Nath, Kennedy and Fonseca, the Whites' forwards, to get within shooting range. They certainly worked well with their backs. G. Singh was brought in at inside left to Kraus and Miller and was the most effective inside forward. S. Fowler on the right wing with Bartlett as his inside man did not show his old dash, and the pair never combined effectively.

The Whites were best served in the defence by Taylor (right back), Marques (right half) and W. A. Reed (centre-half).

NEVER DANGEROUS

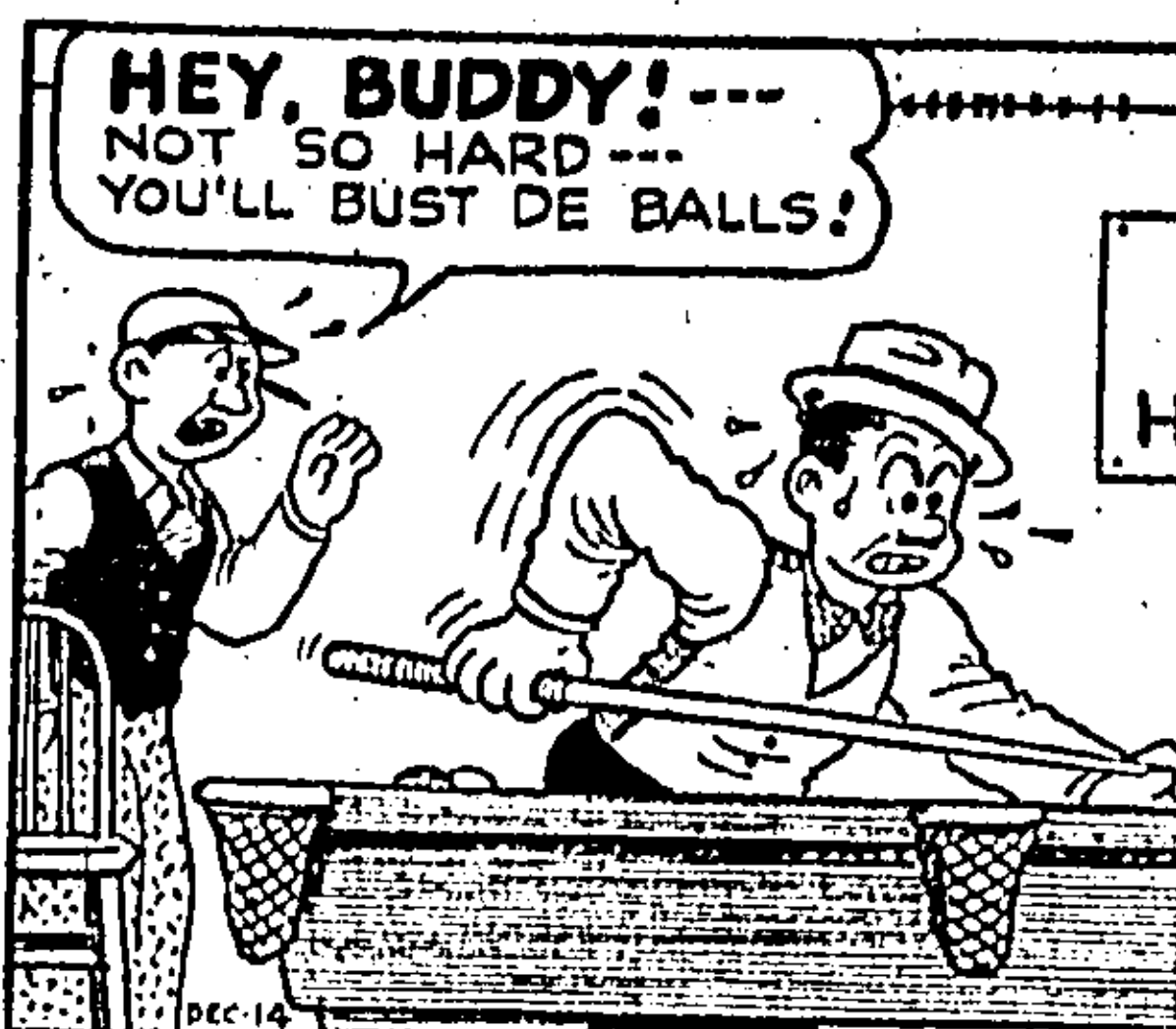
Pritam Nath, at inside right, and Kennedy, at centre-forward, never looked dangerous, nor did they reveal any outstanding skill or tactics. The former at times completely forgot that he had a right wing.

Pyara Singh, on the left wing, though not in his true position, exhibited dazzling stick-work and his equalling goal was a brilliant bit of individualistic work. S. Singh drew first blood for the Colours with a smart flick goal and Pyara Singh equalised later. Both sets of forwards were mastered by the defences.

I believe 15 players will be nominated by the selectors, though the names have not been announced. No further trials will be held. Further comment on the trials will be published on Thursday.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7)
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ARMY "B" SURPRISED BY HIGH SPEED OF K. C. C. SCORING

B. D. Lay's Century Helps Visitors To Fine Win



Bertram Lay to him fell the honour of scoring the first League century this season.

When two junior cricket teams, in the space of three and a half hour of actual play, manage to score 404 runs, one is inclined, instinctively to rate the bowling as tripe, but possibly in most cases this would be an accurate estimate. Yet, in the Army "B" v. K.C.C. league game at Sookunpoo on Saturday, in which this imposing aggregate of runs was amassed, the bowling, although perhaps lacking a certain amount of "devil", could not in fairness be dismissed as tripe.

Most of the credit for the tall scoring must go without qualification to the batsmen, who, on both sides, showed considerable enterprise, and used their bats in purposeful manner. The Army started in whirlwind fashion, hoisting the first 50 in 20 minutes, and although there were two periods thereafter in which the telegraph board made slow progress, the home side were always well ahead of the clock, and their declaration at 197 for four wickets at about 3.52 p.m., was not only fair to the K.C.C., but apparently fairly safe. The Army made their runs in about an hour and three-quarters of actual play, and they made them well. Corporal Webb and Sapper Ratcliffe batted with supreme confidence to raise the score from 19 for 1 to 131. The former helped himself to a stylish and hard-hitting half century, without blemish, his square cuts, immediately after he had reached his 50 he was dropped off a hard square cut, but in the next over obstructed a straight one from Luke.

Untarnished Innings
Ratcliffe was a little more watchful, and against Baldwin and Lay may have attempted to force the pace, but he dealt unmercifully with anything which hinted at being loose, and his untarnished innings was a pleasure to watch. He scored his 77 out of a total of 178 and was undefeated when the closure was applied.

Indians Lucky To Win A Point

(Continued from Page 8)

nearly picked one off Ismail's bat. However the batsman let the remaining balls swing by, and the match ended.

There was, incidentally, some slight misunderstanding about the last over. Neither umpire had as yet declared "last over", but for some reason several of the players thought Billimoria's over was the last. Actually, the umpires agreed that there was time for another and so it was played.

Among the forwards, where few of the players have been in the same pack before. The backs, or most of them, had a practice together in the North and South match played last Saturday.

The team will play the Hongkong R.F.C. on February 4, the Royal Navy on February 8, and All Hongkong on February 11.

Selected Players
The following are the 19 players who will make the trip:
Full back—D. R. Harper (Selangor, captain).

Threequarters—J. W. Ewart and C. W. Lyle (Penang), L/Cpl. T. M. Richardson (Army), A. P. Craigie and G. D. A. Landon (Singapore), G. F. Brown (Selangor).

Halves—Capt. F. W. Simpson and Lieut. J. E. P. Pierce (Army), J. L. B. Hardwicke (Selangor).

Forwards—H. I. MacLennan (Selangor), A. W. Harding (Negri Sembilan), I. F. McCall (Perak), I. F. McCall (Royal Navy and Royal Air Force), D. McBride (Selangor), J. M. McHugh (Perak), J. F. M. Roulle (Selangor), I. F. Mackenzie (Johore), P. W. Bourne (Selangor), Mr. M. H. Van Der Gucht, of Johore.

Malayan rugby player, well-known manager of the team, Mr. Van Der Gucht is a vice-president of the Malayan Rugby Union.

The team will leave Hongkong by the D.J. Palma about the middle of next month.—A Correspondent

St. Andrew's Superior To C.B.A. Girls

(By "The Pilgrim")

On their ground on Saturday, the Central British School girls entertained St. Andrew's in the Cae Clark Cup competition and were defeated by four goals to one.

The schoolgirls commenced at a high speed and after a continued attack, Miss P. Turnbull, at inside right, gave them the lead. Their forwards passed well while on the run and the two wingers, Miss E. Watson and Miss J. Bradbury, were getting the ball across the middle.

Although the Saints' defence was hard pressed, it held firm until the attack began to show improvement, and a goal from Miss F. Wong on the right wing put the teams on level terms.

Saints continued the offensive and a few minutes later, Miss F. Wong again cut in cleverly, doing the needful giving her side the lead. The schoolgirls were trying hard to equalise when the interval arrived.

Following up in the second half, the Saints had full measure of their youthful opponents and though they frequently got into the circle the forwards missed a number of scoring chances. Enjoying the best of the exchanges, however, further goals were added by Miss A. Greiner and Miss P. Gittins.

The Saints were much the superior side and would have doubled the score had the attack been in both.

WEEK-END SOCCER RESULTS

FIRST DIVISION	
Kowloon	2 St. Joseph's
S. China "B"	5 Club
Middlesex	3 Kwong Wah
Police	2 Royal Scots
Eastern	2 S. China "A"
SECOND DIVISION	
R.A.O.C.	2 Club
Kowloon	1 St. Joseph's
Middlesex	1 Kwong Wah
Engineers	1 5th Bde.
Eastern	1 South China
Police	1 Royal Scots
THIRD DIVISION "A"	
5th Bde.	0 Electric
R.A.S.C.	0 Royal Scots
Kit Chee	3 Engineers (C)
Stanley	3 30th Bty.
South China	0 P.W.D.
THIRD DIVISION "B"	
Kumamons	1 Powhattan
24th Hvy. Bty.	2 R.A.F.
Engineers (E)	1 Medicals
University	0 Signals
A.S.A.	1 Stonecutters

* Not played.

Strong Malayan Rugby Team Chosen To Visit Hongkong For Matches

The All Malayan Rugby team which will arrive in Hongkong by the P. and O. Ranpura on Thursday, comprises of 19 players from all over the Malayan Peninsula, and is one of the strongest combinations ever to leave the country.

Speed and combination should feature the play of the visiting side, which is particularly strong in the back line. D. R. Harper, captain of the side, is one of the best full backs the game has seen in Malaya. Harper has played in top class rugby in Malaya for the past nine seasons, and his knowledge of the finer points of the game has been mainly responsible for the fact that Selangor is seldom out of Malayan honours at the end of the rugby season.

His marking and kicking in wet or dry conditions would earn him a place in the best class of rugby. C. D. A. Landon is another star that will appeal to Hongkong crowds. A left winger, Landon learnt his rugby in New Zealand. He has speed, and is a powerful runner, who is very hard to bring down. His defence leaves nothing to be desired, but it is his attack that is the attractive part of his game.

Of the centres, Richardson is one of the best seen in Malaya for a long time. A natural rugby player, Richardson has been a member

of the Army team for the past three seasons, and has been one of their most prolific scorers. Particularly good in defence, Richardson can be a match-winner in attack. On his day he will cut holes in any defence, but, unfortunately, he is rather prone to over-run passes on occasions. He is very fast, and has a sharp swerve which makes him a difficult man to hold.

The best scrum half in Malaya at present is Capt. F. E. Simpson, who has captained the Army in Singapore for the past two seasons as well as the South side. Brains of the Attack
A particularly clever scrum half, Simpson is an opportunist always, and his sound knowledge of the game makes opening after opening for his attack. Simpson will prove to be the brains of the attack in the Malayan team, and he should prove to be as big a favourite in Hongkong with the crowd as he is in Malaya. He is probably the coolest player under pressure in the team. The forwards are a hard-working lot, and have weight and speed that should make them a formidable combination.

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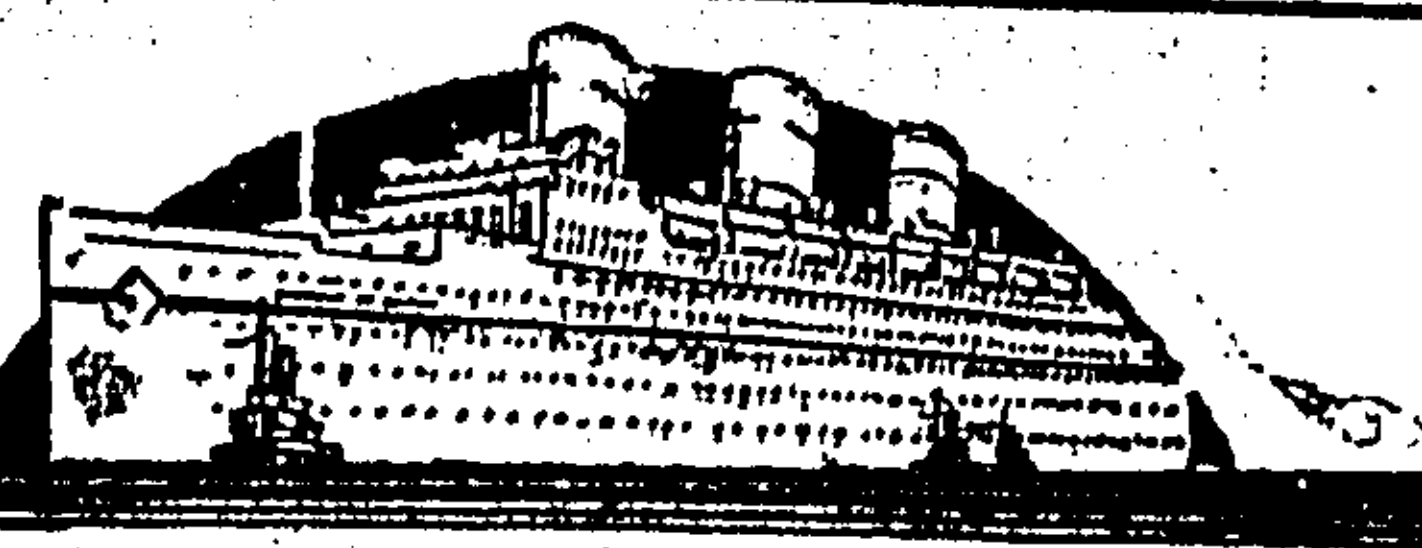
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TENANTS UNITE

Inauguration Of Body To Watch Interests

The recently formed Hongkong and Kowloon Tenants' Association was inaugurated at the Hotel Cecil on Saturday afternoon, when a tea-party was held. The function, which was attended by a large gathering, was presided over by Dr. Kwok Yue-tung. Mr. M. A. da Silva, the well-known solicitor, was the guest of honour, and unveiled a glass plaque inscribed with the name of the Association.

Addressing the gathering, Mr. Silva said that the formation of the Association arose out of the congestion of housing accommodation at present being experienced in the Colony, due to the influx of refugees from all parts of China. He understood that the aim of the Association, though in the main connected with the protection of the interests of tenants, was charitable. Among these were the obtaining of legal advice for tenant members, the granting of free medical services, and the promotion and establishment of free schools for the children of members. These were but a few of the aims the Association intended to carry out, but from them it could be seen that the Association was a worthy one.

Mr. Silva recounted the old story of the breaking of the twigs, and pointed out that the unity was strength, and its existence and extension depended upon unity within the Association. He wished the Association prosper and concluded with the hope that it would attract members and so fulfil more of its charitable aims.

Mr. Li Ping-chuen, a member of the Committee, said that the main aim of the Association was to protect the interests of tenants, and help them with their complaints. The membership of the Association was 4,471, and Mr. Li expressed the hope that many more would enroll. Donations amounting to several thousand dollars had been received by the Association for its charitable work.

Mr. Ho Ka-suen, a well-known journalist, said that since the hostilities began Chinese refugees from war-torn cities and villages had fled for refuge to foreign places. Some landlords did not increase their rents, seeing the plight of the refugees, but a number of house-owners at once increased the rents so high that in Hongkong the authorities had stopped the eviction of tenants, who could not afford to comply with the unreasonable demands.

Mr. Ho said that the Association hoped to ask the Hongkong Government to fix a rate of increase in rent.

METHODISTS LEAVING

Congregation Say Goodbye To Mr. and Mrs. Trevan

A gathering of members and friends of the Methodist Church, Wanchai, took place in the Assembly Hall of the Sailors and Soldiers Home last night to bid farewell to Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Trevan, who are leaving for England on Saturday.

Mr. Trevan, who has completed a three-year commission as Constructor in the Naval Dockyard, has been actively identified with the church as a local preacher and his wife has served as organist and worked on the church committees.

Revs. J. E. Sandwich, D. B. Child, A. Hany, W. H. Alton, F. White and E. Moreton were among those present to pay tribute to Mr. and Mrs. Trevan and speeches of gratitude were made by Capt. A. J. Holland, Mr. A. T. Edwards, Mr. Child, Mr. Sandbach and Mr. Wiggins, the latter representing Service men who had received many kindnesses at their hands.

Mrs. Edwards presented a book to Mrs. Trevan from members of the congregation and Mrs. Trevan and her husband suitably replied to the good wishes extended.

HARBOUR RESCUE

Travelling across the harbour on board the ferry Man Ying on Friday, Lau Lai-long, a 30-year-old married woman, allegedly attempted to commit suicide by jumping overboard. She was rescued and taken to the Queen Mary Hospital.

CIGARETTES AT SEA

Junk Voyageurs Demand Adequate Supply

To a smoker there could scarcely be a more unpleasant prospect than to be in mid-Pacific, weeks from the nearest land, without a cigarette. It is a prospect which, certainly, several members of the crew of the Sea Dragon, Mr. Richard Halliburton's junk, are not prepared to face. Therefore, there is no likelihood of the junk leaving until these crew members are sure that more than enough tobacco is on board to meet their needs.

The junk, flying the American flag, is bound by provision of United States marine law which requires that a ship shall carry a "stow chest" containing reserves of clothing, etc., from which the seamen may buy if they wish. One item, specially stipulated, is tobacco.

When it was discovered yesterday that the store of cigarettes on the Sea Dragon was only 4,000, several of the adventurers declared that a much bigger stock would have to be provided before they would sail. One seaman said that he would give up anything else for the adventure, but certainly not his smoke.

This man put his own needs at 4,000 cigarettes. If the other 11 voyageurs smoke as steadily the Sea Dragon is likely to leave a trail of 50,000 cigarette butts on her way to San Francisco. In any case, that is approximately the number of cigarettes which the junk will be required to stock.

Dearer In Honolulu

Another consideration influencing the men is the higher cost of cigarettes in Honolulu, a port of call en route to America. Should they not stock sufficient cigarettes for the whole crossing in Hongkong they will have to pay more for the next stock taken aboard at Honolulu.

There is no actual dissension over this matter of cigarettes, as Mr. Halliburton is quite ready to provide the required supplies. That cannot be done until some time this morning, however, and the departure must be delayed accordingly.

Another reason why the Sea Dragon will probably not leave today as planned is that the compass has yet to be adjusted. It was not possible to do this yesterday and a trip will be made to-day for this purpose.

COLONY'S CONSULS

His Excellency the Governor, under instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, has been pleased to recognize Herr Franz Ferring as Vice-Consul for Germany at Hongkong.

The King's Exequatur empowering Mr. Dick Fredrick Altree Wakeford Wesman to act as Consul for Norway at Hongkong, has received His Majesty's signature.

The King's exequatur empowering Senor Raymond E. Devaux to act as Honorary Consul for Guatemala at Hongkong, has also received His Majesty's signature.

LATE NEWS

AMUK IN A CAFE

Chinese Waiter Attacks Japanese Diner

A savage attack on a Japanese in a Chinese restaurant shortly after midnight yesterday morning provided the residents of the district with a great deal of excitement. The alleged assailant, a Chinese, who is believed to be a waiter, attacked himself up to the Police after the attack, and is now under observation. The identity of the victim has been established as Hiroyoshi Sagara, 34, of the Yokohama Cafe, 35 Hennessy Road, ground floor. Dressed in European-style clothing, Sagara entered the restaurant, known as the Cha Heung Suk, and ordered a meal. His manner was not of the polite, it is alleged, and apparently aroused the resentment of Li Ping-chuen, 22, part owner of the restaurant, who also acted as waiter.

Li, it appeared, recently lost his mother and other near relatives in the country, allegedly at the hands of Japanese troops, and as a result bore a deep hatred for all Japanese. Sagara's attitude aroused him, and, seizing a chopper with an edge as sharp as a razor, he made towards the Japanese, who was sitting in a stall.

Alarmed at the man's demeanour, Sagara jumped to his feet, but he could not avoid the blows Li rained on him with the chopper. Sagara attempted to defend himself by grappling with his assailant, but was severely wounded and bleeding freely, and collapsed.

Other customers in the restaurant fled outside. Police were soon on the scene, and found the stall where Sagara was lying bespattered with blood and broken glass and crockery. Sagara bore two deep wounds on the back of the neck and a half severed wrist. He was rushed to the Queen Mary Hospital, but it is feared that there is slight hope for his recovery, due to the great loss of blood.

Li was not to be found then, but he later appeared at Wanchai police station and gave himself up. His hands were badly lacerated, apparently being cut by the blade of the chopper during his struggle with Sagara. He also appeared to be demented, and his answers to questions could not be understood. He was sent to the Queen Mary Hospital, where he is being kept under observation.

It is understood that Li was suffering from deep depression and hatred. He is said to have alleged that some of his women folk were raped.

URBAN COUNCIL

Licence Applications To Go Before Meeting

To-morrow's meeting of the Urban Council will consider correspondence relative to the appointment of Dr. T. W. Ware to service on the Select Committee for Cubicles in place of Dr. G. W. Pope, who has gone on leave; and correspondence relative to the proposed erection of a public latrine on the site North of and adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2011, Nam Kok Road.

The following licence applications will be also considered: Eating house licence for No. 20, Spring Garden Lane, ground floor; eating house licence for No. 319, Queen's Road West, ground floor; eating house licence for No. 384, Hennessy Road, ground floor; food factory licence for No. 6, Shamchun Street, ground floor; laundry licence for No. 52, Bonham Road, basement; and food shop (fruit) licence for No. 123, Connaught Road Central, ground floor.

SALE OF A CAR

Unemployed Man On Fraud Charge

Ka Sai-man, alias Ka Tung, 25, unemployed, was charged before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy on Saturday with intent to defraud, did utter to Tsang Wan-cheung a clerk, a forged receipt for the sale of a motor car, purporting to be signed by D. Davies, knowing the same to be forged.

Defendant was remanded for 72 hours in police custody. Mr. C. A. S. Russ will be representing the defendant.

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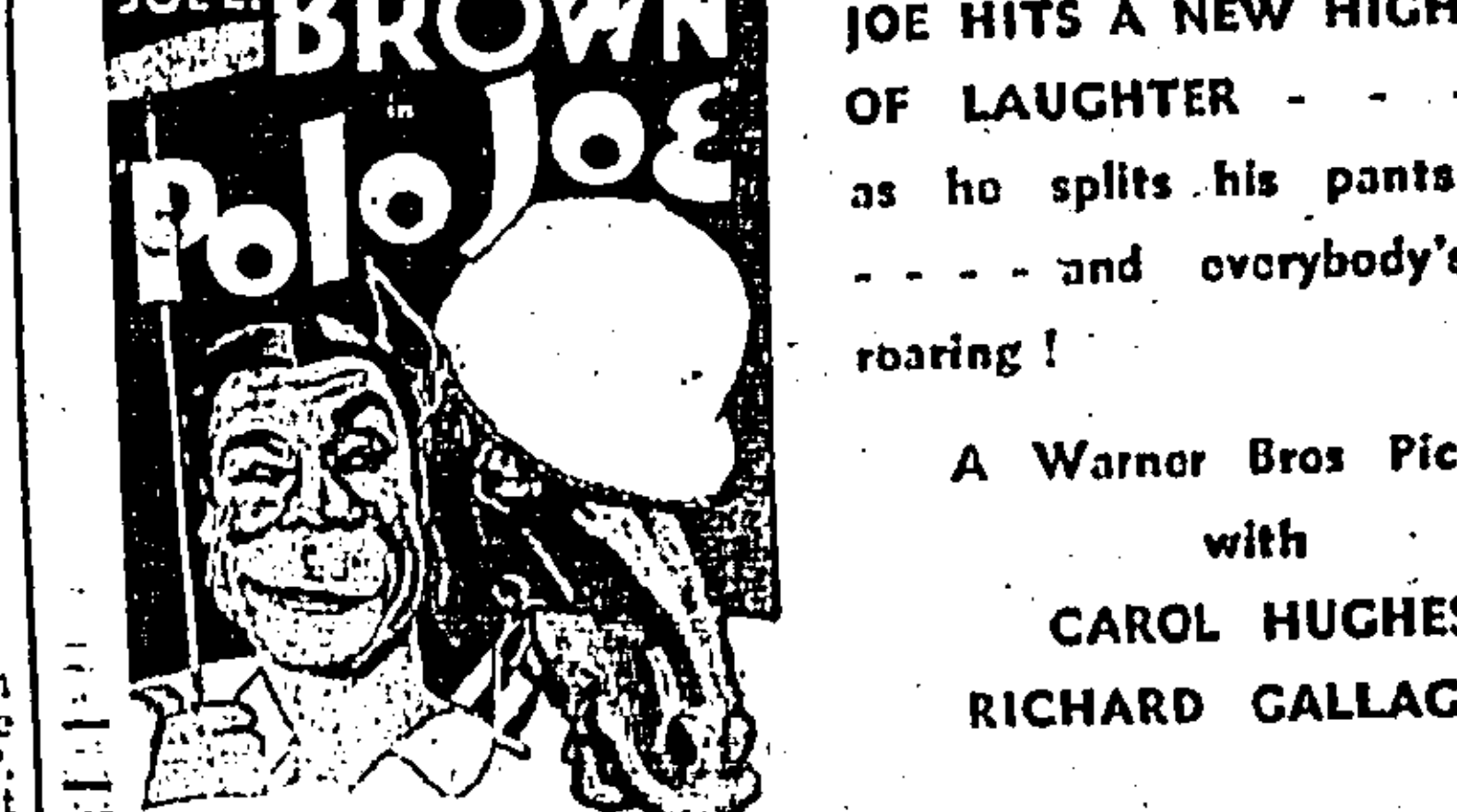
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SATURDAY'S BRIDES Four Weddings Held At The Registry

Four weddings took place at the Registry, Supreme Court, on Saturday morning.

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith officiated at the wedding of Mr. Henry Alfred Yewen, stoker petty officer, of H.M.S. Rebell, and Miss Nina Eugenieva Rebell. The witnesses were Messrs. J. S. Staifferton and K. N. Burgess.

Mr. T. J. Gould officiated at the other weddings. Mr. Rustan Jehangir Master, engineer, married Miss Murgina el Arcull, of 10 King Kwong Street. The witnesses were Messrs. N. P. Karanjia and K. J. Master. Later a reception was held at 474 Nathan Road.

Mr. Tung Kwan-chor, principal of the Communication Radio School, married Miss Chan Sui-wah, who is the accountant at the same school.

Mr. Tso Wing-shiu, undergraduate of the Kwong Wah University, Shanghai, married Miss Mak Yee-wah, of 233 Hennessy Road, Hongkong.

SOON TO WED The following forthcoming weddings have been announced: Mr. Wong Kam-wah, manager of the Sia Hing Knitting Factory, and Miss Lim Sing-lan, of 107 Queen's Road, West, Hongkong.

Mr. Woo Tat-chung, accountant, and Miss Lam Suet-mui, of 37 Leighton Hill Road, Hongkong. Mr. Hon You-see, merchant, and Miss Irene Louie, of 62 Tai Street, Road.

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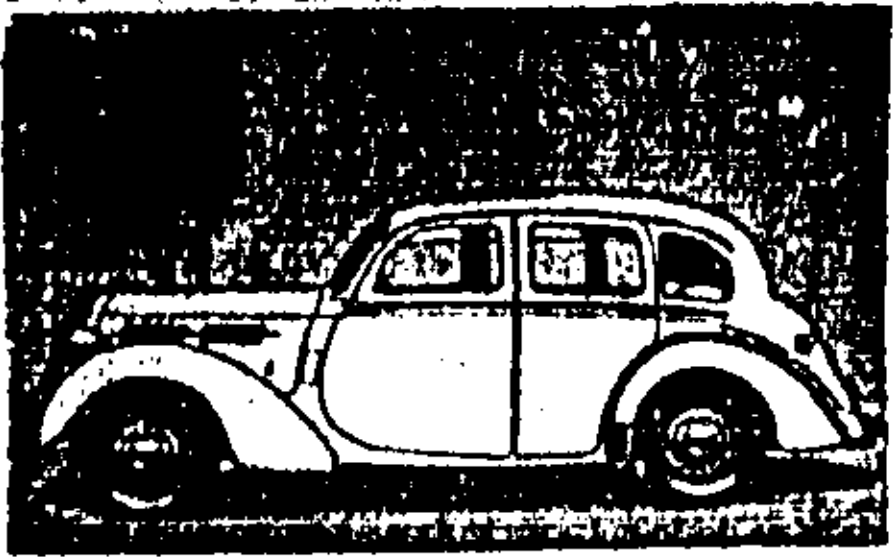
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CALDEAS FALLS: ADVANCE ON GRANOLLERS IMMINENT

SALAMANCA, JAN. 29.
A WAR BULLETIN ISSUED BY THE INSURGENT HEAD QUARTERS ON SATURDAY NIGHT STATED THAT INSURGENT TROOPS IN CATALONIA WERE CONTINUING THEIR RAPID ADVANCE, AND HAD PUSHED FORWARD ON THE COAST ROAD AS FAR AS ARENYAS DEL MAR, ABOUT 24 MILES FROM BARCELONA.

After capturing the villages of Caldetas, Parets, Llista de Vall, and Allela, the Insurgents succeeded late on Saturday afternoon in completely surrounding the town of Granollers.

Farther south, the Insurgents had advanced on an average six miles along the road from Manresa to Vich.

Workers To Strike As Arms Protest

Nearly 40,000 engineers in London planned to-day to strike on Thursday by forming a march down Downing Street with a deputation to urge arms shipments to the Loyalist Government of Spain.

MANY PRISONERS TAKEN

In the Pyrenean section, the Insurgents had also advanced six miles.

The number of prisoners was stated to be very large.

In the district of Mataro, a field hospital with 800 wounded Loyalist soldiers was discovered. The men had been left behind without any medical assistance for three days.



HUSMAN'S HOLIDAY.—Jack Tar, on shore leave, pays a visit to the "Sea Dragon" and seems to be intrigued by the old-fashioned rigging.—Jaffer.

Witness In Re-trial Of Tammany Leader Killed

WHITE PLAINS, New York, Jan. 29.

GEORGE WEINBERG, one of the chief witnesses in the forthcoming trial of Johnny Hines, notorious Tammany boss, who is charged with corruption and political intrigue, was found shot dead in the bathroom of a house rented as a hideaway to-day.

Weinberg apparently committed suicide.

The house had been rented by Mr. Thomas Dewey, United States attorney, who is prosecuting in the Hines' trial, as a hideaway for Crown witnesses.

Weinberg was the prosecution's key witness.

He lunched to-day with Dixie Davis and Schoenhaus, two other important witnesses, and the three were preparing to take a drive in the country, when Weinberg seized a revolver, went upstairs, and a shot was heard.

He was found dead in the bathroom.—Reuter.

George Weinberg, former "business manager" for "Dutch" Schultz, the New York racketeer who was "bumped off" two years ago, accused Hines of accepting \$500 a week as a "political fix" for the Schultz gang.

Weinberg denied a connection in Court during the trial by adding: "I never paid Hines \$500 in fees for his (Hines') home."

In Barcelona, 6,000 wounded Loyalist soldiers were left behind by the retreating army. Great quantities of war material, including clothing, had been found in the Catalan capital, where life was now resuming its normal aspect. The streets had been cleaned, electric trams were running, and all public services had been resumed.

LOYALIST COMMUNIQUE

From Gerona, the Loyalist Defence Ministry issued the following bulletin on Saturday night: "Catalan front: The Loyalists repulsed enemy attacks east of Solsona and Manresa. The enemy suffered heavy loss. Severe fighting is now going on in the Mataro district, where Loyalist troops are putting up a stubborn resistance. Extremadura front: Enemy attacks in the Monte Rubio and Santo Vergara sectors were repulsed, and two enemy aeroplanes shot down. There is nothing to report on the other fronts."

A report from Barcelona says that although absolutely precise information is lacking, it is believed that the Loyalist headquarters in Catalonia are now in the little town of Clot, situated to the north-east of Barcelona, 12 miles from the French frontier.

Some of the Loyalist Ministries are in Gerona and Figueras.

WARSHIPS ARRIVE

Referring to conditions in Barcelona, the report says that on Saturday a fleet of fishing boats entered the deserted port, which has been cleared of mines. The work of blowing up the wrecks of some 60 sunken ships, which obstruct traffic in the port, will shortly begin.

Insurgent warships, escorted by a squadron of aeroplanes steamed into port on Saturday afternoon, and were welcomed by a salute from the land batteries.

The city was lighted on Saturday night by electricity for the first time for several days.—Trans-Ocean.

OFFENSIVE IN RAIN

Barcelona, Jan. 29.
The Insurgents continued their offensive on all sectors of the Catalan front to-day, in spite of heavy rain. The Urgel army corps is now approaching the important town of Berga. The Loyalists are offering little resistance, but the Insurgent operations are considerably impeded by the fact that the region in which they are now operating offers serious natural obstacles, since it consists of snow-covered mountains, with few roads which are in poor condition.

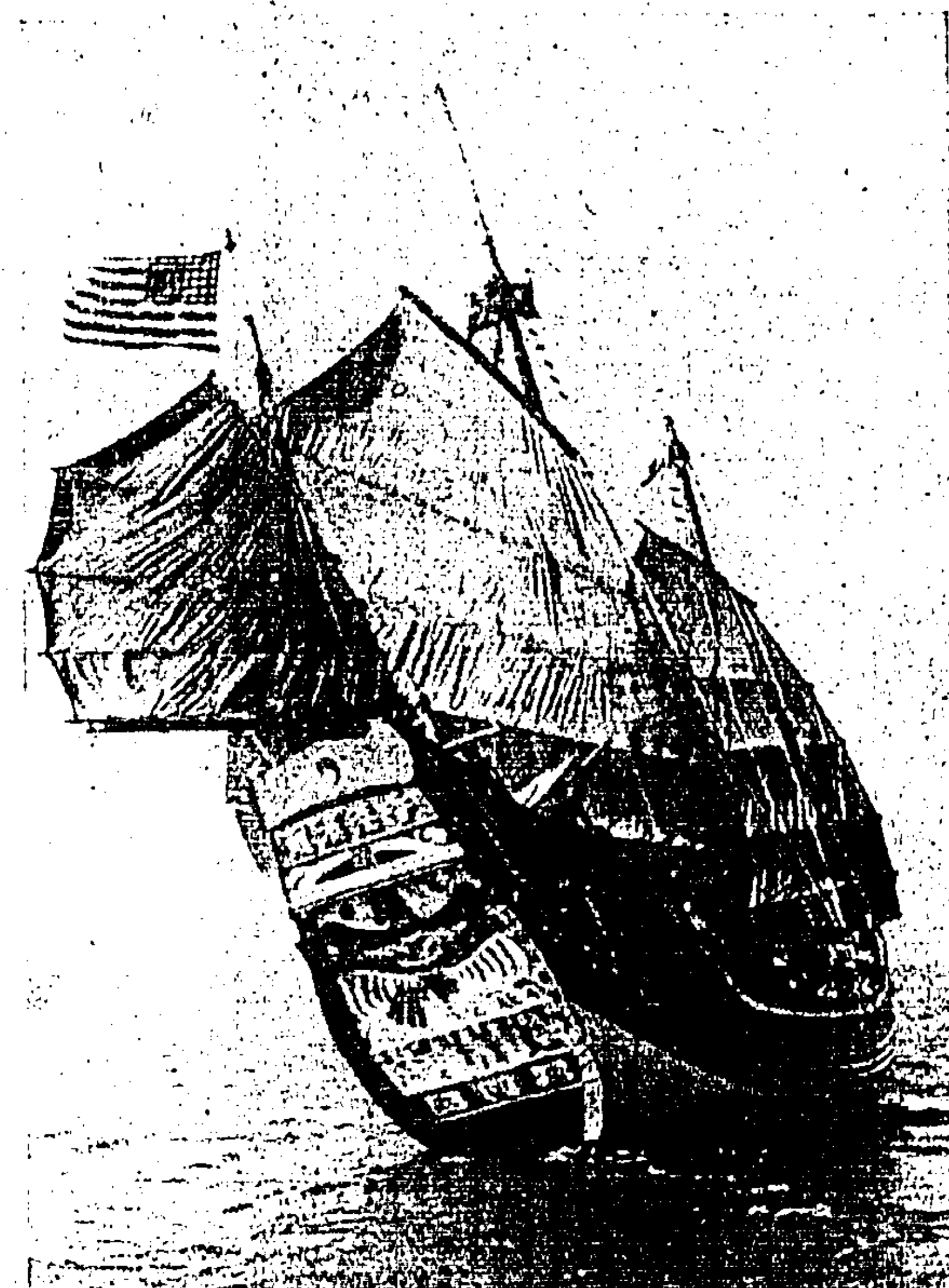
In the central sector, the Insurgents occupied the town of Moya, at the junction of the roads to Manresa and Vich.

General Yague's army corps likewise continues its advance along the coast to-day, but exact information regarding the positions reached by the vanguard is not yet available.

Insurgents estimate Loyalist losses since the opening of the Catalan offensive at about 100,000. This number includes 37,400 prisoners.

Insurgent bombers to-day raided the town of Alcoy in the province of Alicante, dropping numerous bombs on military objectives, and 12 new living in England.—United Press.

"Sea-Dragon" Has Test Run Before Trip To America



A PRETTY PICTURE.—The "Sea Dragon" presents a pretty picture as she tacks in the wind outside Hongkong harbour, with her picturesque and colourful sails in full view. A Phoenix, the bird of happy omen in China, and Chinese characters reading "Sea Dragon—Hongkong" are clearly discernible. The smaller inscription below "prays for good winds to speed them on their journey."—Jaffer.

Chilean Earthquake

LOOTERS DESCEND ON WRECKED TOWNS

SANTIAGO, Chile, Jan. 29.

THE TOWN OF COELEMU has been entirely destroyed by the recent earthquake, according to a statement issued by the Minister for the Interior, Senor Pedro Alfonso on Saturday night.

Nearly 400 children are known to be dead.

The towns of Pocillos and Quirihue were also completely destroyed.

Criminal elements of the population have taken advantage of the conditions prevailing in the rural areas in consequence of the catastrophe, and have looted houses deserted by their owners.

Numerous looters have been arrested in Concepcion, Chillan and San Carlos, and exemplary punishment will be meted out to the culprits under martial law.

A number of smaller 'quake shocks were reported to have occurred on Saturday in Cauquenes.

The commandant of the garrison at Chillan estimates that the number killed in that town is 10,000.—Trans-Ocean.

MIRACULOUS ESCAPE

Santiago, Jan. 29.
While workers were removing debris left by Tuesday's earthquake of the wrecked Chillan municipal theatre to-day, they were stunned to find two living persons—husband and wife—still seated in the orchestra stalls.

They had been miraculously saved by a supporting beam, which however, had completely imprisoned them.

Being without food and water for four days, they were in a dangerously weak condition when rescued and were still dazed by the shock of the disaster.—United Press.

Plot To Overthrow Siamese Cabinet

Bangkok, Jan. 29.
A Siamese official radio bulletin reveals the unearthing of a plot to overthrow the Government, and to restore ex-King Prajadhipok, who is now living in England.—United Press.

AMERICAN GIRL IN SORDID COURT DRAMA

A FIFTEEN-YEAR-OLD American girl was mentioned in Court this morning in connection with a case in which two women and a man were charged with exercising control over prostitutes.

The cause were Wong Chat-mui, 45-year-old married woman, Chan Fung, 52-year-old married woman and Wong Kong, 24-year-old unemployed man.

It was revealed in Court that Wong Chat-mui had resided for some time in New York, where the American girl is believed to have originally come from. The girl has been remanded in the custody of the Salvation Army.

The Court case was a sequel to a raid on Friday night by Miss P. Harrop, Lady Assistant of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, on a hotel in Connaught Road.

The case came before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistrate's Court. A week's remand was asked by Inspector E. G. Post, of the S.C.A., who stated that a large quantity of documents were seized in the raid and were now being translated.

The translation of these documents, he indicated, might possibly lead to further charges being preferred against the defendants.

BRITISH APPEAL FOR PEACE GETS CURT RECEPTION

BERLIN, Jan. 29.
THE APPEAL FOR PEACE addressed to the leaders and people of Germany by a number of leading personalities in England, has been curtly received in Germany, and the newspapers level criticism at it.

CHINESE MILITARY STRATEGY

Dynamite Prevents River Crossing

CHUNGKING, Jan. 29.

CHINESE MILITARY officials to-day confirmed the report that Chinese troops in south-western Shansi dynamited two feet of thick ice in the Yellow River near Yumen, north of Nung-kwan, which prevented the Japanese from crossing.

The Chinese are continuing to use high explosives to break the ice, whenever the ice grows thicker.

On January 16 about a regiment of Japanese troops attempted to make a crossing at Yumen over the ice, while Chinese troops hid behind rocks on the western shore, where they had placed many machine-guns.

Only when the Japanese had reached half way across the river did the Chinese open fire, and as a result 600 Japanese troops were killed, and the rest retreated in great disorder to the east.

The military chiefs said that the same strategy had prevented other Japanese units from venturing across the river.

It is reported that the Japanese military in Shansi are expected to open the second big offensive at any moment.—United Press.

GUERRILLAS HARASS JAPANESE

A Japanese report from Hankow this morning admits that there have been sixty-five encounters with Chinese guerrillas in the Wuhan area since January 1—an average of over two battles a day.

The Japanese admit that they have sustained 92 casualties. They claim that 1,100 Chinese troops have been killed in the encounters.

The guerrilla forces total 15,700, the Japanese message adds.

Further towards the east, Chinese guerrillas continue to display great activity in Footing, opposite Shanghai.

On Friday night, eve of the opening of Sino-Japanese hostilities in Shanghai in 1932, they launched simultaneous attacks on a number of villages in the neighbourhood of Footing, inflicting considerable casualties on the Japanese before they withdrew.

KINGSHAN FIGHTING

Fighting on the Hankow-Jiang front, which has been intermittent since the Japanese abandoned major operations two months ago, broke out again on Friday.

The spearhead of the Japanese drive at one time threatened Kingshan, but Chinese reinforcements quickly arrived on the scene and, at the end of the battle, the position was "as you were," with the Japanese back in their old positions and the situation quiet.

The two forces are opposite each other in a system of trenches east of Kingshan, with the Japanese attempting to outflank the Chinese at Tienmen.

CHENGCHOW THREAT

On the Honan front, the Chinese are building up defences against a possible Japanese offensive on Chengchow, the important junction of the Lunghai and Peiping-Hankow railways. This city, it will be recalled, was captured by the Japanese in 1932.

(Continued on Page 4.)

The "Voelksischer Beobachter" to-day protests against the assertion that Germany is responsible for the present international political situation, and claims that Hitler's efforts to secure a reduction of armaments were opposed by the British Government.

If the signatories of the appeal regard armaments as the main cause of unrest in the world, they should, declares the paper, address themselves to those who were responsible for rejecting the German offer.

The paper also takes exception to the assertion that nobody in England wishes to interfere in Germany's internal affairs, and recalls that only within the last few days even Cabinet Ministers had criticised certain purely German affairs in a schoolmasterly tone, which had caused legitimate irritation in Germany.

OH, NO?

In Germany, on the other hand, declares the paper, no hostile campaigns are directed against other countries either through the press or by the radio.—Trans-Ocean.

PREMIER'S SPEECH

Berlin, Jan. 29.
Commenting on Mr. Neville Chamberlain's speech delivered at Birmingham on Saturday, the "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" observes that the attacks of the opposition have not succeeded in inducing Mr. Chamberlain to desert from his policy of international understanding.

The paper stresses Mr. Chamberlain's statement that all "reasonable aspirations" are entitled to be satisfied, and the paper sees in those words a possibility of reducing the existing tension between France and Italy.—Trans-Ocean.

LATEST

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Further Late News

African Colonies Combat Nazis

Nairobi, Jan. 29.
The East African governments have been called upon by the Tanganyika League to counteract anti-British propaganda, to strengthen the political departments, or to declare the Nazi organisation illegal.—Reuter.

FIRE IN CANTON ST. Squatters Rendered Homeless

OVER FOUR HUNDRED refugees were rendered homeless this morning, when fire broke out at 3 a.m. at the squatters' camp they have erected in Canton Road, near the Jordan Road ferry.

The blaze spread with astonishing rapidity from end to end of the camp, and was not quelled until 150 of the huts had been razed to the ground. The fire broke out in a hut where a family of five were sleeping. The fire was caused by a gas stove which had been left burning. The fire spread to the adjacent huts, and the entire camp was consumed. The refugees were rendered homeless and are now being accommodated in temporary shelters. The fire caused considerable damage to the surrounding area, and the authorities are investigating the cause of the fire.

EMPIRE NEWS

BY-ELECTION TEST IN SOUTH AFRICA

Johannesburg. The Government is facing a stern test in the Parliamentary by-elections at Bethal and Pretoria where vacancies have just occurred.

Although the United Party won both seats at this year's general election, the Nationalists polled well. Their strength has been consolidated since then by the wave of emotionalism created by the Voortrekker Centenary.

Bethal and Pretoria City should show to what extent the Voortrekker celebrations have affected the Afrikaans-speaking people in their political allegiance. The elections are also important in view of the widespread growth of anti-Semitism in recent months.

Zulu King's Graves.—The Historical Monuments Commission has agreed to mark the graves of seven well-known Zulu kings, including Dinuzulu.

Mixed Marriages.—A petition urging the prohibition of mixed marriages and the residence of Europeans and non-Europeans in the same area will be circulated throughout the Union as soon as the December political truce is over. The preparation of the petition was decided on at the recent congress of the Nationalist party.

Durban Improvement Scheme.—The suggestion has been made that the Bluff at Durban should be connected by a bridge across the harbour mouth or by a tunnel under the harbour.

AUSTRALIA

JAPANESE AIR EXPANSION

Sydney. The new Japanese air service from Tokyo to the Philippines, east of the Philippines, will bring a Japanese air base within 1,500 miles of Darwin and Port Moresby, Papua. This will mean that the Australian mainland and New Guinea will be within bombing range of a Japanese air terminal.

Experts are pointing out that this expansion emphasises the necessity for Australia to begin the defence of New Guinea, and to station air squadrons or build naval bases in the islands.

Gold Production.—The value of gold produced in Australia in 1938 will be approximately £1,500,000 greater than last year. Production was buoyant in all States except Victoria, where there was a decrease in yield of 5,000ozs. Queensland had now taken second place of Western Australia in gold production.

NEW ZEALAND

HOSPITAL BENEFITS UNDER NEW ACT

Auckland. Mr. P. Fraser, Minister for Industry, says he cannot indicate at present the date when hospital benefits under the new Social Security Act will come into force. A clause in the Act allows the Minister to determine the date when the arrangements are to be complete.

Mr. Fraser states that further discussions will take place with the doctors during January.



LOCAL ARTISTES. These photographs, taken by Jaffer, are of local artistes who assisted in the Grand Services Concert recently which was held in aid of the dependants of the late Lance Sergeant Thompson, R.A.

UPPER LEFT. B.Q.M.S. Dicks was popular as a singing comedian.

UPPER RIGHT. A dizzy moment in a comedy sketch presented by Dodger Green and Co.

RIGHT. G. Mainy photographed giving an impersonation of Jimmy Durante.

EXTREME RIGHT. Gus D'Aquino who sang at the concert.

Horse Racing Commission.—Mr. W. E. Parry, Minister of the Interior, announces the appointment of a Royal Commission shortly to investigate horse racing, with particular reference to a revision of the Gaming Act to meet changing conditions.

INDIA

AFGHAN MISSION AT NEW DELHI

Calcutta. Afghanistan's Trade Mission to India has created a favourable impression in New Delhi. The mission is accompanied by Sardar Ullaha, Director-General of Political Affairs in the Afghanistan Foreign Office.

In an interview with the "Statesman," the Sardar declared that Afghanistan is anxious to maintain and foster her friendly relations and to strengthen the existing commercial ties with her neighbours, and particularly with India and Great Britain.



SECRET BRIDE, 22, IS A WIDOW

AINSWORTH, near Bolton, Lancashire.

AS the body of Mr. Alexander McKinlay Smyth, nephew of a wealthy Scottish racehorse owner, was being cremated, with that of his mother, at Glasgow to-day, his 22-years-old widow, Mrs. Joan Isobel Smyth, told of their secret Gretna Green wedding nearly three years ago.

Mrs. Smyth, daughter of Mr. J. W. Smith, clerk to Bury County magistrates, talked of the happiness that ended when her 22-years-old husband, a medical student at Glasgow University, was found accidentally shot dead in his uncle's office in Glasgow.

Her mother-in-law, Mrs. Nellie McKinlay Smyth, died, broken-hearted, three days after her son.

Mrs. Smyth, sitting in the 17th-century dining-room of Ainsworth Hall, her parents' home, here, talked of her runaway wedding at Gretna Green.

LEFT LUXURY FLAT

Because of her delicate state of health—she is expecting a baby in June—she came to stay with her mother here, leaving her husband at their luxury flat in Dundonald-road, Glasgow.

Mrs. Smyth, prominent hunting woman and racecourse fashion leader in the north, recalled her first meeting with her husband at Ayr racecourse when they were 16.

"He visited my parents' home when we were 18," she said. "While he was staying here in the New Year of 1935 we decided to get married secretly. We went to Gretna Green on January 3 and were married over the anvil by Mr. Hemmison."

"We returned to my home the same night. Alec went home to Scotland and told his people that we were married. It was not until several weeks afterwards that my parents knew."

"The marriage was regularised before the sheriff at Dumfries two months later. My mother and Alec's mother were witnesses. "We decided to live apart for a time, so that Alec could continue his studies at the university."

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Explosion Wrecks London House

London. Mr. J. G. Peters, a Poplar Council workman, smelt gas whilst doing road repairs in Perry's Close, East India Dock Road, Poplar East, and notified the authorities. About half-an-hour after, there was an explosion, causing the roof of a house to shoot up in the air and windows in adjoining houses to be smashed. Three people have been detained in hospital: Arthur Hill, Mrs. Emily Marshall and her grandson Brian.

Three others were allowed to go home after treatment—they are Joseph and Thomas Hindmarsh, aged 7 and 8 respectively, and Daisy White, aged 10.

Joke On Purse-Snatcher

Cleveland O. Mrs. J. I. Wilson lost her purse to a young man in fashionable suburban Cleveland Heights, but the joke was on him. The purse happened to contain only 11 cents.

Shipping Chief Fell To Death

MR. Charles Booth, chairman of the Booth Steamship Co., crashed 80ft. to death recently from his cousin's house in Chester-street, Belgrave.

A cup of tea was taken to his room in the morning, and it is believed that he slipped and overbalanced while opening the window.

Clad only in pyjama trousers and singlet, he was found lying half in the gutter and half on the kerb by Mr. H. B. Hamstead, a labourer, on his way to start work at the new Iron Trades House, at the corner of Chester-street and Grosvenor-place.

"He must have fallen just before I arrived," Mr. Hamstead said. "A man and a woman ran out of the house and asked, 'What has happened?' I replied, 'Someone's come out of the window. Then she said, 'He was depressed last night.'"

Mr. Booth lived at Mossley Hill-drive, Liverpool, and he arrived in London only on the Thursday to stay with his cousin. He leaves a widow and five children.

Mr. Tom Booth, his youngest son, said: "My father suffered with his eyes for some years and was blind in one. An operation performed on this eye some months ago was not successful. He did not seem to worry about it and appeared to manage well."

"I do not know whether there was any danger of his losing the sight of the other eye, but so far as I know he had no other worries."

Chairman of Alfred Booth and Co., Ltd., of Liverpool, a member of the Cheshire Lines Committee, and of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board, he also served on the boards of Booth and Co. (London), Martins Bank Ltd., and the L.M.S. Railway.

Fish Out Of Water

London. Andromeda, a goldfish, is apparently little affected by being out of water. The fish was found on a bitterly cold day by a builder of St. Leonard's on Sea, Mr. G. Dubois, on the dry bottom of a tank which had been split by the frost, in an empty house. A week later Mr. Dubois found the goldfish had turned silver and was stiff. He picked it up to throw it away, thinking it was dead, but it wagged its tail. Mr. Dubois took it home, and now it is flourishing and has turned gold again.

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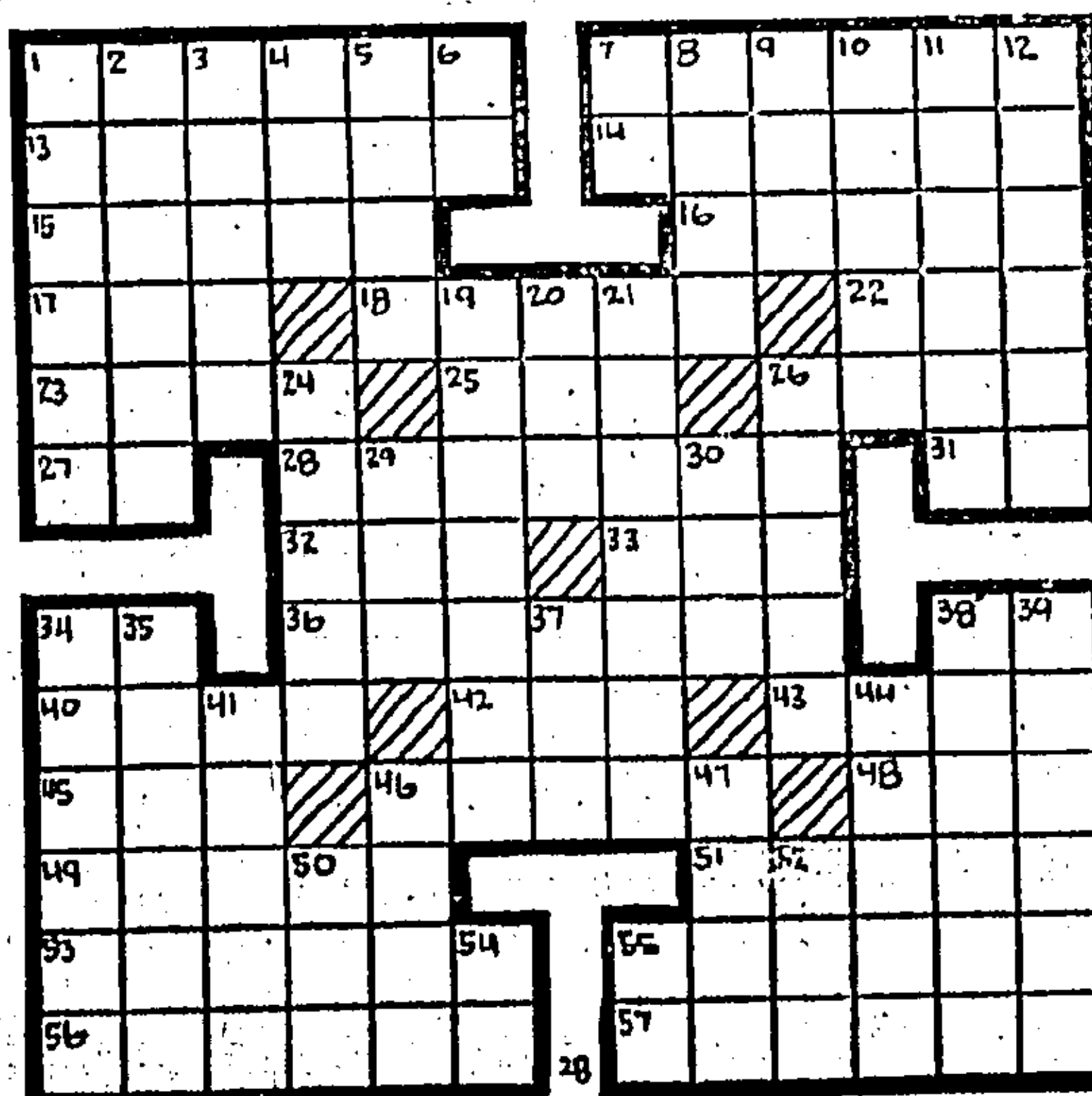
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- 1—Accomplice
- 7—Union in kingdom
- 11—Write on skin
- 13—Uttered dreamily
- 15—Deal with
- 17—Not fresh
- 19—Indian tribe
- 21—Squill
- 23—Qui (French old)
- 25—Girl's name
- 27—Mare's mistakes
- 29—There
- 31—Suffice, one who
- 33—Somewhat healthy
- 35—Cauldron
- 37—Devour
- 39—Girl's name
- 41—Hebrew month
- 43—Air reviews
- 45—One
- 47—Eat together
- 49—Japanese coin
- 51—Lum
- 53—Delicacy
- 55—Male deer
- 57—Preceding
- 59—Secret
- 61—Was interested
- 63—Remove
- 65—Valentine mountain

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

- 1—Dull
- 3—Dress letter
- 5—Bunch of insects
- 7—Unit
- 9—Unit of M
- 11—Oratorical number
- 13—Flow of milk
- 15—Dilly
- 17—Lost again
- 19—Ancient Egyptian
- 21—Drooping of teeth
- 23—Unit of work
- 25—Moving ready
- 27—Alexander
- 29—Times here
- 31—Paddle
- 33—Pouch
- 35—Unit of current
- 37—Unimpaired who
- 39—Afternoon report
- 41—Comedienne
- 43—Bowling device
- 45—Dance through
- 47—Rain
- 49—Pron
- 51—Less over
- 53—Wave
- 55—Curve
- 57—Wine of building
- 59—One hundred one



EMPIRE NEWS

REFUGEES GOING TO AUSTRALIA

CANBERRA. The Department of the Interior states that it is dealing with applications for landing permits from European refugees at the rate of 2,000 a week.

Most of the applicants are German and Austrian Jews. A few Czech refugees have made inquiries.

The number of applications is expected to show substantial gains, and the Department is making arrangements to cope with the anticipated flood.

The quota will be elastic. No attempt will be made to limit the granting of permits to a set number every month.

FUTURE OF NEW GUINEA

SYDNEY. The Administrator of the Mandated Territory of New Guinea, Sir Walter McNicoll, who is on a visit to Sydney, says that the proposed amalgamation of the administrations of Papua and New Guinea would be the soundest course for Australia in the long run.

He emphasised the necessity of the Commonwealth maintaining control not only over New Guinea and Papua, but over the string of islands extending from Papua through the Solomons to the New Hebrides. Many of these islands, declared Sir Walter, had good harbours, and should be semi-fortified and fitted as seaplane or warship bases to act as the outer fringe of Australian defence.

BETTING SHOP HOURS

ADELAIDE. An attempt which was made to carry out the recommendations of the recent Royal Commission to restrict the operation of South Australian betting shops has failed. The Legislative Assembly of South Australia has rejected the most important proposition, which provided that the betting shops should close between 1.30 p.m. and 5 p.m.

This was proposed to prevent large sections of the population spending their whole afternoon on race-days in betting shops, making bets and listening to descriptions of the races. It was also intended to increase attendances at actual racing meetings, which had had steadily declined since betting shops were first opened.

INDIA

NATIVE REMEDIES CONDEMNED

CALCUTTA. An inquiry financed by the Indian Research Fund Association into the native systems of medicine known as Ayurvedic and Unani has rejected their claims to be regarded as scientific.

The report states that only a very limited number of indigenous remedies deserve the reputation they have earned as cures. Many of them are worthless and have probably crept in through tradition and folklore.

Minister's Visit.—During his visit to Calcutta, Lt.-Col. A. J. Muirhead, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for India, invited Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose to Government House for an interview. Lord Brabourne, the Governor, took the opportunity to meet the President of the Indian National Congress.

SOUTH AFRICA

OUTBREAK OF FOOT-& MOUTH DISEASE

CAPE TOWN. A particularly virulent outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease is being fought in the Pilgrim's Rest district, Transvaal. Apart from cattle owned by European farmers, some 50,000



Taking shape in foundations and steel framework, the pavilions of the nations of the world become increasingly visible as the New York World's Fair 1939 nears completion. Viewed from an airplane, the Foreign Zone of the 1216½ acre site reveals the importance of the vast Court of Peace, with a capacity of 50,000 persons, as the nerve centre of this unprecedented assembly of three score governments that represent 90 per cent of the globe's inhabited regions.

In this broad area, dominated by the United States Federal Building and flanked by the Halls of Nations, it is hoped that a new spirit of international good-will may be born. The numbered sites, showing various stages of construction, are: 1. United States Federal Building, with the Halls of Nations extending toward the lagoon, all partly enclosed over steel; 2. The Court of Peace; 3. Canada, foundations started; 4. Argentina, foundations started; 5. Norway, foundations started; 6. Elze, foundations started; 7. Rumania, up in steel; 8. U.S.S.R., foundations completed; 9. Czechoslovakia; 10. Japan, foundations started; 11. Belgium, steel partly enclosed; 12. Sweden, foundations started; 13. Turkey, foundations started; 14. Lagoon of Nations; 15. France, steel being erected; 16. Brazil, foundations started; 17. British Empire, steel completed; 18. Italy, steel completed; 19. Chile, foundations started; 20. League of Nations; 21. Portugal; 22. Venezuela; 23. Poland, foundations started; 24. Netherlands, foundations started; 25. Switzerland.

In the foreground are shown exposition buildings and those of private exhibitors, many in an advanced state and ready for interior decoration. Constitution Mall also nears completion with its elaborate planting and wide pools of cascading water, dotted with sculpture. Construction of the entire \$150,000,000 exposition is now several weeks ahead of schedule.

Boots And The Marine

Marine Walter Henry Robert Birch, aged 19, appeared five minutes late when parading in a draft to join H.M.S. Resolution.

He was also wearing civilian boots and did not stomp arms with the rest. Then he said "I don't want you to swear at me," and shooting out his list, pushed the sergeant major in the chest.

Birch pleaded guilty at a Chatham court martial recently to offering violence to his superior officer and sentence will be pronounced in due course.

Vicious Circle At Work

Kerang, Australia. Drs. Pook and Munro, physicians and partners, have their own conception of what constitutes a "vicious circle." After work in the local hospital, they left by separate doors, got into their cars and started for home. Dr. Pook turned to the right and Dr. Munro to the left. Both travelled a block and then crashed into each other.

Sir Charles Corkran Found Shot After Fall

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR CHARLES E. CORKRAN, Sergeant-at-Arms at the House of Lords since 1936, has been found shot dead in the grounds of his Berkshire home, Fitzharrys Manor, Abingdon.

Sir Charles Corkran went into his grounds to shoot pigeons.

When Lady Corkran, who had been attending a local committee meeting, returned home, she found that her husband was not in the house.

TORCH SEARCH

Lady Corkran and her daughter, with electric torches, went to look for him. They found him lying on his back on a plank over a stream.

It is thought that Sir Charles was crossing on the plank when he slipped and fell, causing the gun which he was carrying to discharge. He was found to have wounds in the back of his head.

The grounds comprise from 3 to 4 acres of woodland and pasture, and it was not until the search had continued for an hour that Sir Charles was found.

Sir Charles Corkran, who was 60 years of age, was the son of the late Colonel C. S. Corkran, and was at Eton and Sandhurst.

He entered the Army in 1893, served in the Nile Expedition, the South African War and the European war. His distinguished service was followed by the C.B. and C.M.G. LONDON G.O.C.

For a time he was commandant of the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, and was General Officer Commanding the London District from 1928 to 1932. In 1932 he was created Knight Commander of the Victorian Order.

He numbered among his decorations two rather uncommon ones, the Order of Karageorge and the Serbian Gold Medal for Valour, gained with the Salonika force.

Sir Charles married a daughter of the late Colonel Horace Ricardo in 1904. He leaves two sons and one daughter. His eldest son is Mr. Charles Corkran, who, with Mrs. Muriel Pawley, was captured by bandits in Manchukuo in September 1932 and held to ransom for six weeks.

functions she always remained a modest, unassuming child," said a neighbour.

May Queen's Robes To Be Her Shroud

CROWNED May Queen of England at the Hayes Common ceremony last year, golden-haired Flossie Boggis (15), of Marvels Lane, Grove Park, S.E., visited the Children's Ward at Lewisham Hospital a month or so ago.

In her royal robes and crown and attended by a dozen maids of honour she chatted with the patients, then kissed each one good-bye "so that none of them should be jealous." Later after an illness of less than a fortnight, she died from blood poisoning in the same ward to which her bright smile and sparkling eyes had brought happiness. Her Queen's robes are to be her shroud, and her maids of honour will attend the funeral.

Flossie won a scholarship to the South-East London Technical School 18 months ago and was studying to be a dress designer. She was top of her last term both in millinery and art, but when her mother called at the hospital to tell her she was already unconscious.

"Flossie designed all her own dresses, including her May Queen robes in which she will be buried," her mother said.

"Although as May Queen Flossie was feted and honoured at countless

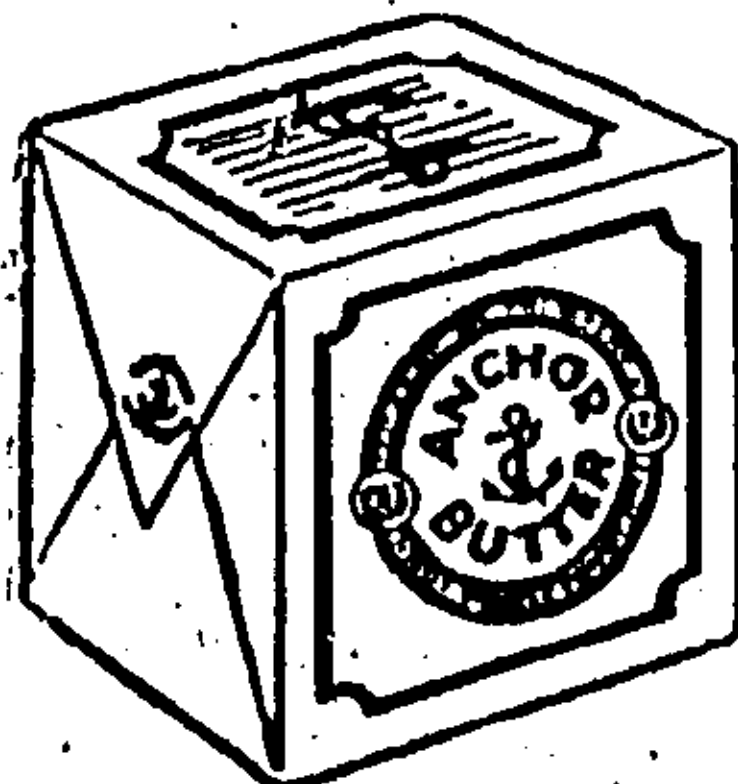
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H.K. Bank, Ltd.	1,370 n.
Chartered Bank	8 1/2 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.	27 1/2 n.
Mercantile, C. & L.	13 n.
East Asia	98 n.
INSURANCES	
Canton	220 s.
China	460 s.
China Underwriters	45 n.
H.K. Fire	170 b.
SHIPPING	
Douglas	62 n.
Steamboats	15 n.
Indo-China	60 n.
Indo-China, D.	24 n.
Shell Bearer	70 3/4 n.
Waterboats	9 n.
DOCKETS ETC.	
Wharves	110 n.
Docks (old)	17 1/2 n.
Docks (new)	10 1/2 n.
Providents (old)	5 1/2 n.
Providents (new)	5 1/2 n.
New Eng. Sh.	500 n.
Sh. Docks, Sh.	100 n.
MINING	
Kailua	15/8 n.
Raub	9 3/8 n.
Venz. Goldfield	1 1/2 n.
Hongkong Mines	4 1/2 n.
Antamoks	34 1/2 n.
Anglo Gold	20 1/2 n.
Benguel Con.	13 3/4 n.
Coco Grove	47 s.
Con Mines	0025 s.
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Lands	30 1/2 n.
Lands 1/2 deb.	107 1/2 n.
Shai Lands	8.30 n.
Humphreys	8 3/4 n.
H.K. Realties	5.65 b.
Chinese Estates	80 n.
UTILITIES	
Trams	17 s.
Peak Trams (old)	3 n.
Peak Trams (new)	4 n.
Star Ferries	22 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries (old)	22 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries (new)	22 n.
China Light, (cum. rts.)	9.40 n.
China Light, (ex. rts.)	9.20 n.
China Light (Rights)	3 s.
H. K. Electric	50 1/2 n.
Macao Electric	17 1/2 n.
Sandakan Light	10 b.
Telephones (old)	23 1/2 n.
Telephones (new)	8 n.
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The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 17th February, 1939, to Friday, the 24th February, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1939.

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AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 3rd to FRIDAY, the 17th February, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

W. F. SIMMONS,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1939.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING	
T.T. London	1s. 2 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	1s. 2 1/2
T.T. Singapore	1s. 2 1/2
T.T. Japan	100 1/4
T.T. India	63
T.T. U.S.A.	28 1/2
T.T. Manila	53 1/2
T.T. Batavia	53 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	140 1/2
T.T. Saigon	100 1/2
T.T. France	10 1/2
T.T. Germany	72
T.T. Switzerland	128
T.T. Australia	1/0 1/2
BUYING	
4 m/s L/c London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/p do.	1/3 1/2
4 m/s L/c U.S.A.	20 1/4
4 m/s France	11 1/2
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Shai Cotton Sh.	101 n.
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Wing On Textile Sh.	40 n.
MISC.	
H.K. Entertainments	7 b.
Constructions	1 1/4 n.
Vibro Piling	0.60 n.
G. Govt. 5% 1925	68 n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	6 1/2 p.m. n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2 %	par n.
Marsmans (Lond.)	11/10 1/2 n.
Marsmans (H.K.)	2/6 b.

DEATH OF FAMOUS IRISH POET

Yeats Initiated Erin's Drama

LONDON, Jan. 29.

THE DEATH is announced, in his 74th year, of Mr. William Butler Yeats, famous Irish poet and dramatist.—*Reuter*.

William Butler Yeats, the famous Irish poet and dramatist, was born in Dublin in June, 1865, his father being an artist. His early years were spent between London and Sligo where his relation had been in business for many years.

He studied painting for a time, but soon gave it up for literature, contributing to Irish periodicals.

In 1888 he was advised by Oscar Wilde to try his fortune in London where, in 1889, he issued his first book of poems "The Wanderings of Oisín" which awakened new interest in the Celtic revival. He served under Henry who was editing the "National Observer".

In the '90's he and Ernest Rhys founded the famous Rhymers' Club. In his earlier poetry may be found the wild and delicate colouring of the West of Ireland. His genius was recognised by R. L. Stevenson, William Morris and other symbolists and the delicate art of the Decadents, he expressed the fairy lore and lingering old-world beliefs of the Irish countryside in terms of the *fin de siècle*. So the "Celtic Twilight," which was an expression of personal moods rather than a racial phenomenon, was born and became an exquisite and frail fashion.

The "Celtic Twilight" essays and sketches and "Dhoya" were followed by his collected poem, the appearance of which in 1895 was recognised as marking the rise of a new Irish school.

BEAUTIFUL POEMS

His best known poem is the beautiful "Lake Isle of Innisfree." The volume "The Wind among the Reeds" holds some of his finest poems.

While Yeats's prose remained rich and embowered, his later verse became "austere and intellectual" in strange contrast with his early lyrics so dim-coloured, magical and wistful. His first non-political dramas were "The Countess Kathleen," and "The Land of Heart's Desire" which was produced in London in 1904. Then came "The Tables of the Law," "The Adoration of the Magi" and a political play "The Shadowy Waters."

NEW IRISH DRAMA

It was to Yeats that the new Irish drama owed its initiation. In the middle of the '90's he mentioned Lady Gregory his desire to found "a little theatre somewhere in the suburbs" where his own and other literary plays might be produced. George Moore and Edward Marlyn joined him in the scheme, but it was Lady Gregory who made the Irish Literary Theatre possible by securing financial aid. A.E. (G. W. Russell) then took an interest in a Dublin amateur company which visited London. There its acting delighted Miss Horniman with the result that she paid the entire cost of converting some Dublin buildings into the Abbey Theatre. The company there gave plays by Yeats, J. M. Synge, Lady Gregory and many other Irish authors.

In 1901 Benson's company produced in London "Diarmuid and Grania," written by Yeats in collaboration with George Moore.

Next year Yeats published his first poem play "The Land of Heart's Desire" and later a collection of his plays for an Irish Theatre, including "The Hour-Glass," "The Pot of Broth," "The King's Threshold" and "On Ball's Strand."

His fervent nationalism was tried by the disturbances over the "Play of the Western World" at the Abbey Theatre. The result was some topical verse, including the well-known lines "Romantic Ireland's dead and gone." He also wrote "Reveries over Childhood and Youth" and "Michael Robartes and the Dancer," the latter dealing with the events in Ireland in 1916.

WINS NOBEL PRIZE

Yeats was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1923. Later he received the honor of the Goethe Plaque of the city of Frankfurt.

During much of the year he inhabited a lonely tower in the county of Galway. A supporter of Cosgrave, he was for a time a Senator of the Irish Free State. While he desired the abolition or modification of the oath of allegiance, he was against Ireland breaking away from the Empire. In 1932 he announced the forthcoming establishment of an Irish Academy of Letters.

Yeats became a champion of belief in survival after death and spoke and wrote much on this question. "I have always," he said, "sought to bring my mind close to the mind of Indian and Japanese poets, old women in Connaught and mediums in Soho."

He was one of the first to welcome the English poems of Rabindranath Tagore, for whose "Gitanjali" he wrote and introduction, and was latterly much influenced by the "Noh" plays of Japan which led him to write the plays "At Hawk's Well" (1917) and "Two Plays for Dancers" (1919). His other works include "Deirdre," "In the Seven Woods," "The Trembling of the Veil," "Plays in Prose and Verse," "A Vision," "Essays," "The Fews" (poems) and "The Death of Synge and other Plays from a Diary."—*J.B.S.*

CHINESE MILITARY STRATEGY

(Continued from Page 1.)

called, was the immediate objective of the Japanese after the fall of Kaileng, capital of the province, last May. The Japanese drive was completely abandoned by Yellow River floods and efforts since then to drive westward from Kaileng have been frustrated by superior Chinese forces.

The Japanese strength at Kaileng is estimated at five thousand troops, equipped with mechanised units and artillery.

The Chinese have erected an intricate system of defence works east of Chengchow, and are confident of their ability to withstand any Japanese assault.

JAPANESE SURROUNDED

Chinese troops are still attempting to re-take the Peiping-Hankow railway centre of Chantien, where 400 Japanese have been besieged for the past fortnight.

The isolation of this Japanese garrison has been instrumental in halting attempts by the invaders to push south from Po Ai, terminus of the Taokow-Chinghsia Railway.

In Anluwei, a Japanese attempt to cross the river at Wushiki by erecting a pontoon bridge was frustrated by the vigilance of the defenders on the opposite bank.

In the air, the Japanese are carrying out relentless bombings of the Chinese positions along the Lunan Railway between Kaileng and Sian. A squadron of machines on Saturday, while two raids were carried out on Shensien.

7,000 JAPANESE KILLED

Chinese military authorities estimate that 7,000 Japanese troops have been killed in the past seven days in the Shensi offensive, which the Chinese troops halted when they dynamited after ambushing the Japanese in the middle of the river.—*United Press*.

FRANCO CONTINUES DRIVE TOWARDS FRENCH FRONTIER

(Continued from Page 1.)

Important buildings are said to have been destroyed.—*Trans-Ocean*.

FRENCH CONTROVERSY

Paris, Jan. 29.—The French press is now engaged in a violent dispute regarding the question of the appointment of a French diplomatic representative in Burgos.

The former Premier, M. Leon Blum to-day contributed an article which declares in sharp language that the establishment of diplomatic relations with insurgent Spain is simply out of the question.

Right Wing organs, on the other hand, declare that the moment has now come when opening of diplomatic relations cannot be further delayed. "Le Matin" writes: "The late President Wilson once declared 'What has always struck me about pacifists was their amazing stupidity. Their stupidity is surpassed only by that of our war party.'"

Another Statement By Wang Ching-wei

Peiping, Jan. 29.—Apparently issued by the Japanese military mission, Chinese papers today print what purports to be "Wang Ching-wei's third statement," on the occasion of the fifth plenary session of the Central Executive Committee. The statement holds that Wang's dismissal from the Kuomintang is illegal since it was done by the Central Standing Committee instead of by the plenary session.—*United Press*.

Cabinet Re-Shuffle

Paris, Jan. 29.—The British Cabinet reshuffle has aroused considerable interest here, particularly the appointment of Lord Chatfield, whose mission, says the "Excelsior" will be to "prepare the way for new sacrifices to be asked from the country, and acceleration of the re-armament programme in all its spheres."—*Reuter*.

Arab Woman Killed In Ambushed Bus

Jerusalem, Jan. 29.—Shots were fired from an ambush at an omnibus on the outskirts of Jerusalem to-day. One Arab woman was killed, and another passenger was wounded.—*Reuter*.

SALE OF A CAR

Unemployed Man On Fraud Charge

Ka Sal-man alias Ka Tung, 25, unemployed, was charged before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy on Saturday with intent to defraud, did utter to Tsang Wan-cheung a clerk, a forged receipt for the sale of a motor car, purporting to be signed by D. Davies, knowing the same to be forged.

Defendant was remanded for 72 hours in police custody. Mr. C. A. Russ will be representing the defendant.

His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Imperial Service Medal to Mr. Sung Tung-man, lately Assistant of the Medical Department, Hongkong.

Japanese In New Piratical Activities

Hongkong Junk Set Afire Near Colony

PIRATICAL ACTIVITIES by Japanese in the vicinity of Hongkong were responsible on Saturday for the seizure and destruction of another junk registered in the Colony.

Twenty-two people aboard the junk were abandoned in a small sampan, in which they drifted until picked up near Cheukchow Island by another vessel.

The junk was set afire and completely destroyed. In a report of the incident, the junk-master, Chung Pook-kee, said that the vessel was stopped by a motor-bus containing five Japanese at 2 p.m. on Saturday, whilst midway between Lamma Island and Lingling.

The junk was ordered to proceed the motor-bus in a westerly direction until Cheukchow was reached. The master and his 21 companions were then forced to leave in the small ship's sampan, while the Japanese fired the junk.

Freak Weather In Hongkong

ADD TO Hongkong's freak weather conditions of past months the fact that the average mean temperature for January has been the warmest in ten years.

Despite the cold spell in the middle of the month, the average mean temperature since January 1 has been 61.5 degrees, which is two degrees above the normal temperature for the month. The mean maximum temperature since January 1 has been over 66 degrees, which is also two degrees above the average and the highest average since 1929. Temperature this morning rose from 61 degrees at midnight to 67 degrees at 10 o'clock.

Mexican Fascists Rounded Up

Mexico City, Jan. 29.—The Government to-day arrested prominent Right-Wingers, including General Francisco Coss, leader of the "National Unification Group," and Attorney Adolfo Leon Ossorio, who is instigating anti-Jewish riots. The arrests are considered to be a probable move to smash the Conservative opposition. Extra police are being held in readiness at headquarters, but the city remains normal. The Unification Group recently opened a central office and planned a banquet for 5,000 revolutionary veterans on February 5, the anniversary of the Constitution of 1917, which, they alleged, is now being violated by the "Communist" administration.

The arrests followed demands by the Labour Party for action, alleging that the Rightists were potential Fascists, at present utilising agitation against the Jews and also against entrance of international brigades into Mexico, in order to start an anti-Cardenas movement.—*United Press*.

Wu Pei-fu Rejects Japanese Overtures

Peiping, Jan. 29.—Informed Chinese circles declare that Wu Pei-fu has refused Japan's overtures.

Japanese authorities last night warned foreign correspondents to expect an important statement at any moment.

Unofficial Japanese sources stated that this would be an official statement about Wu Pei-fu's position. The statement, however, was not made, and to-day the Japanese authorities said that it would be "delayed some days."—*Reuter*.

Indians Demand Say In London Talks

Bombay, Jan. 29.—Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League, has cabled the Prime Minister urging the Imperial Government to give the League representation at the London Palestine conference, and asking that Arab national demands for Palestine be conceded.

He warned the Government that failure by the conference would have the most disastrous consequences throughout the Moslem world. A similar message was sent to Mr. Malcolm MacDonald.—*Reuter*.

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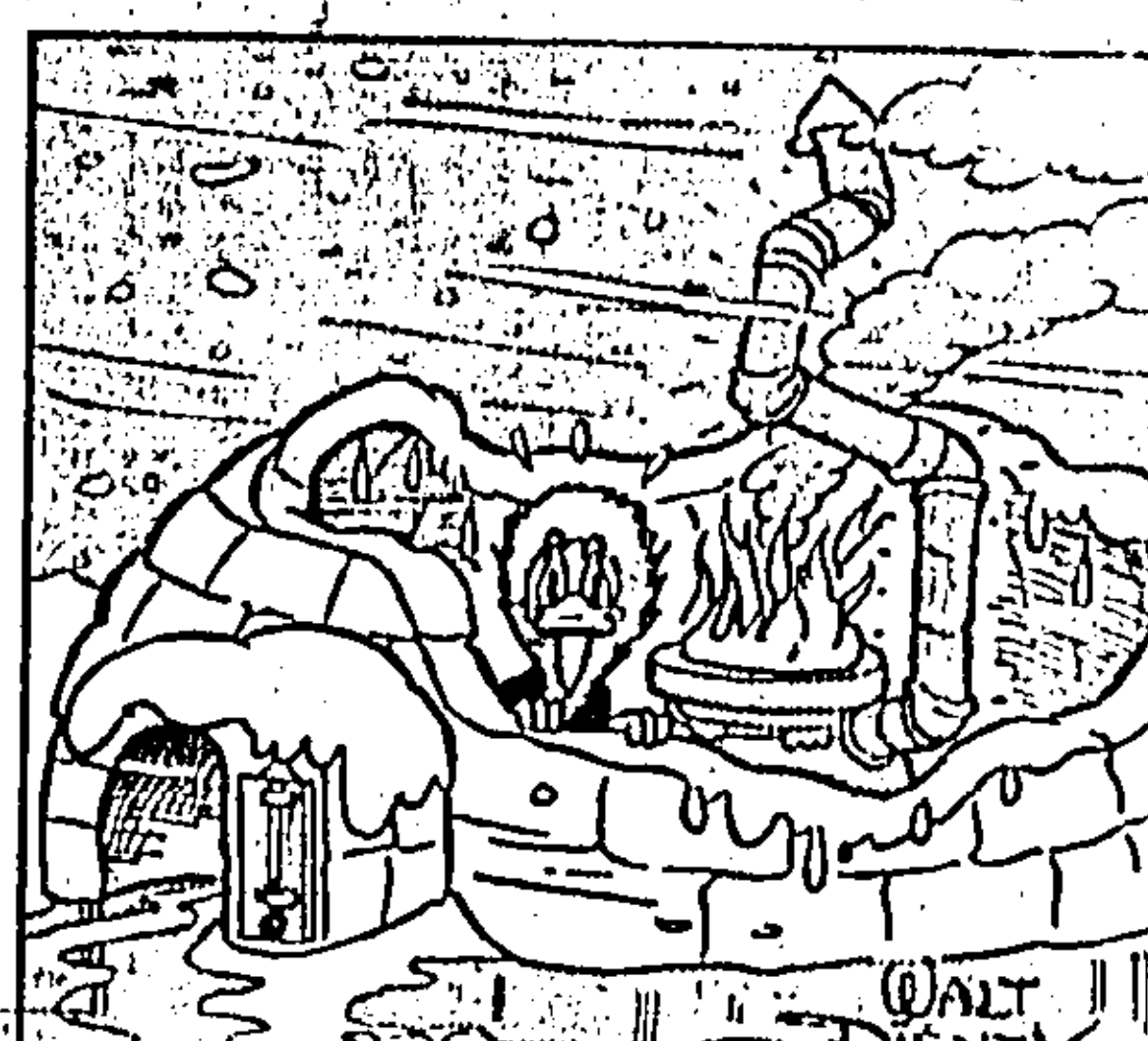
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DEATH

GUZDAR.—At the Queen Mary Hospital, on January 29, 1939, Dr. Jamshed Sorab Guzdar, aged 35 years, Cortège will pass the Monument to-day at 5.15 p.m. (Shanghai papers please copy).

The Hongkong Telegraph.

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January 30, 1939

New Order

THE GOVERNMENTS and peoples both of Great Britain and of the United States are constantly rebuked by Japanese spokesmen for their failure to "grasp the meaning of the new order in East Asia."

It seems doubtful however whether the nature and scope of Japan's continental ambitions, as formulated by her present leaders, are seriously misunderstood in responsible quarters on either side of the Atlantic.

In this context it is perhaps the Japanese who can be more justly charged with a lack of imaginative comprehension.

The "new order" of which they speak has not been established; probably no Japanese would pretend that it had. Its only reality is as a conception—vague but ardent—in the Japanese mind.

It is the weakness of this conception, this vision of the future, that it is somewhat parochial. It postulates (though its sponsors occasionally protest that it does not) the entire subjugation of China for the exclusive benefit of Japan; and by corollary it dismisses Europe and America from the Western Pacific.

Now these large desiderata are possible developments on paper; but to a balanced mind it cannot appear probable that in practice they will come about. It might be well for Japan if, in laying the so far unimpressive foundations of her "new order," her leaders were to remember that their country, though her destinies are high and her power considerable, is neither alone nor foremost in these two respects.

What Fear Did

HERE is a fable from the East:—

An Arab in the desert met Pestilence. "Whither are you going?" he asked. Pestilence answered, "I am going to Bagdad to kill five thousand."

Later the two met again. Said the Arab, "You have not kept your word. You slew not five; but fifty thousand."

"No," answered Pestilence. "I killed five thousand. Fear slew the rest."

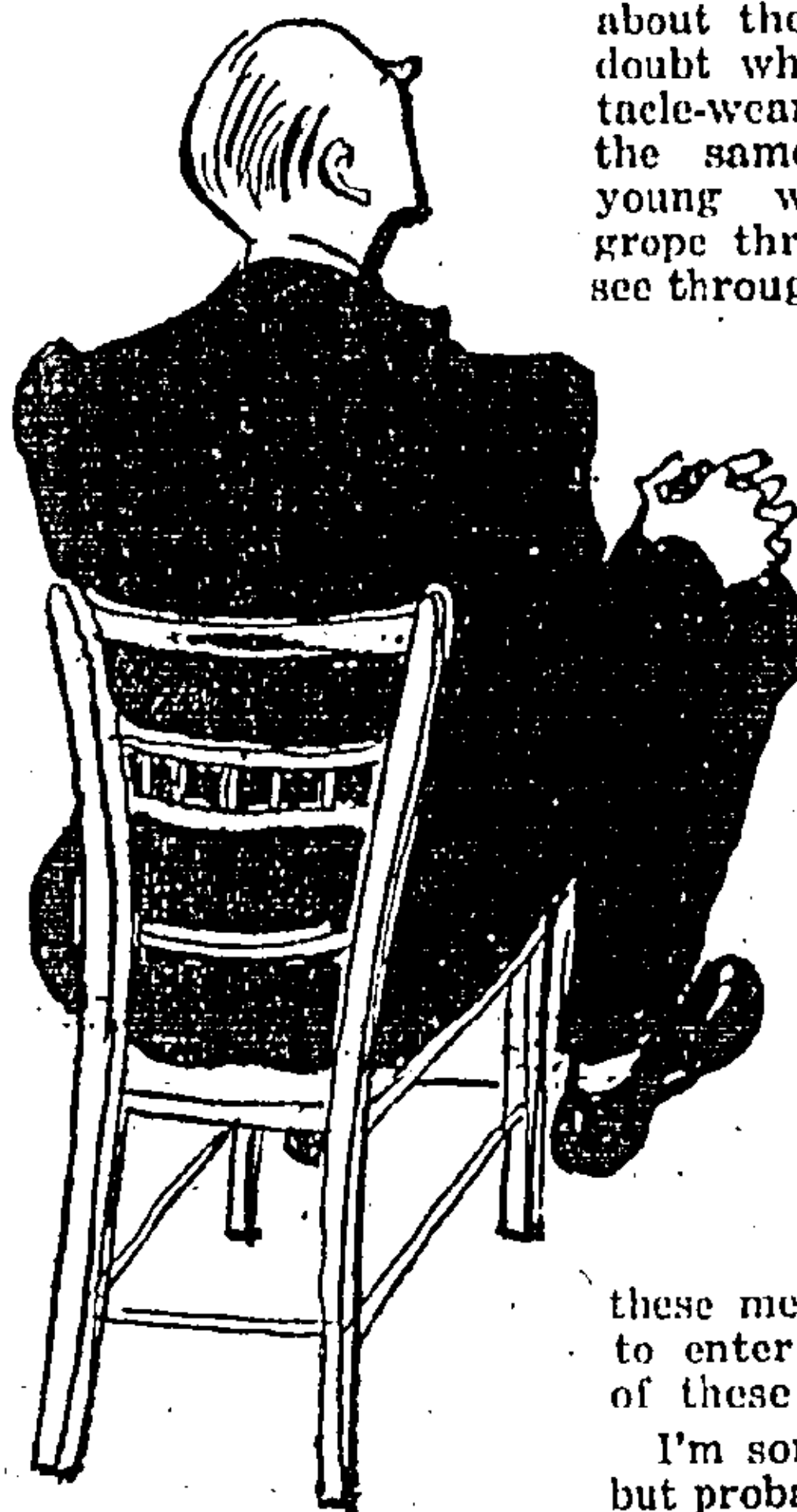
HAVE you ever examined your fellow bus or tram travellers and noticed, among their other depressing qualities, how many were wearing glasses? I did yesterday.

Three out of eight youngish men wore spectacles. One out of seven women had rimless pince-nez. One lifted a lorgnette to pay her fare. A third screwed up her eyes as she left the bus and fell off the step.

What is it all about? Are we all going blind, or turning into peering Wellsian creatures wearing lenses from birth to death? I consulted several experts, all smugly bespectacled. Here is their story.

In this country the number of people who wear glasses is at its highest to-day. About 38 per cent. of the population either wear or need to wear them. Roughly one-third of us actually do use them at some time or other.

The statisticians have divided us into three groups. In the schoolchild group, a total of ten per cent. have defective sight. Of the people between 15 and 45 years of age as many as 15 per



cent. are faulty. And (con- tradict the experts, not me) all the people over 45 have eye defects and need occasional or permanent glasses.

And this does not take into account the remaining children too young or too difficult to classify.

Many of these who should wear glasses do not—for one of two reasons. Vanity or ignorance. Though 60 women for every 40 men consult oculists about their sight, I very much doubt whether the actual spectacle-wearing proportions are the same. Women, especially young women, would rather grope through misty lives than see through glass.

Then ignorance. So we don't seem to be particularly C3 in sight compared with other places.

Is our eyesight progressively really they are deteriorating? Superficial figures for would seem to show it. But lack of spectacle-wearing is a minute saucer-shaped bit of glass the size of a sixpence which actually fits on to the eye-ball.

Slipped each morning beneath the eyelids it sits secure and completely invisible over the eye and naturally gives a perfect field of vision. It is said to be unbreakable in the eye.

I have never tried these lenses as they are expensive and sometimes demand many "fittings" before they fit the eyeball exactly. But they should make many converts.

I'm sorry to do a bogey act, must set improved lighting, but probably a tenth of the total larger windows in homes and

CAN YOU READ THIS AT TWENTY FEET

factories, better print and vastly better standard of eye treatment.

The increase is not a "true" increase. And, in a few years, scientific preventive and curative treatment may turn even that into a decrease. Eyesight is likely to improve.

One rather sinister factor, which demands action from the authorities is that of the people who are needlessly ruining their sight by wearing completely unsuitable glasses. Thousands of Chinese in Hongkong ruin their eyes in this manner by buying glasses over the counter or from hawkers in the streets, without first having their eyes tested.

Eyesight changes, and it is only sensible to consult your oculist once a year.

The British optical industry, once sadly myopic, is now waking up. In 1931 of the spectacle frames sold here most were foreign. But to-day frames and lenses are British. And also Britain is turning out some excellent new gadgets which will make life easier for us gimplaps.

One of the biggest new inventions is that of "plastic glass"—a synthetic product made, I believe, from coal tar, which is easily moulded and worked, very light and almost unbreakable. Also it is more transparent than the finest optical glass.

It is likely to revolutionise the making of lenses of every sort and to reduce greatly the price of previously costly spectacles.

Interesting especially to women, sportsmen and people like me who break their frames every week, is the "contact lens" a minute saucer-shaped bit of glass the size of a sixpence which actually fits on to the eye-ball.

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Language No One Can Understand



"Unofficial Soviet circles point out..."

FROM time immemorial, diplomats have spoken a language of their own. Two thousand years ago, it was Greek: the Apostle Paul, fighting off a brawling crowd, evoked from one Asiatic Governor the surprised query, "Canst thou speak Greek?"

The Greek civilisation of Rome declined, and the young nations used as their *lingua franca* and their official tongue, Latin. Queen Elizabeth, though no Romanist, roundly abused one of the Ambassadors to her court in the Roman tongue.

More recently, the language of diplomacy was French. Secretaries of State for Foreign Affairs, Under-Secretaries, Ambassadors, and even attaches whose job was to send flowers to the right people and wear the right clothes on the right occasions, all were required to do one thing whatever else they did not do: speak—even think—in French.

About the meetings and conversations of statesmen a whole crop of French phrases grew up. One made a *démarche*. One concluded not an alliance but an *entente*. One was relieved not by a lightening of the tension, but a *détente*. One wrote, and even spoke, in the third person in the French manner.

The average diplomat of the old school would report in some such fashion as this: "I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that I made a successful *démarche* and conveyed to His Excellency the Minister, Your Excellency's instructions. I was favoured with a subsequent interview at which we had a conversation in which I expressed to His Excellency Your Excellency's view that 'H.M. Government would take a grave view of the

proposed plan to delimit the definitive clause to include the export of graphite, as well as of lead, pencils. This has resulted in a gratifying *détente*."

To-day diplomacy is conducted through interpreters. Most diplomats, whatever their other qualifications, are not men of such education that they can trust themselves to speak a language not their own. Many diplomats at the heads of nations to-day have not only "little Latin and less Greek," but little English and less French.

They have not been trained through years of experience to know what is meant by a *démarche*, or a conversation. To-day, they are all lumped together as "talkers"—conducted through interpreters.

They do not know, the Hitlers and Mussolinis and Stalins, just what measures are implied by "grave view" as against "gravest possible view." They are not to the language born.

Alfred Duff Cooper, justifying

What effect is such phraseology likely to have on the son of an Italian blacksmith, on a Georgian peasant, on an Austrian house-painter?

It is all to the good that these polite fictions should be blasted out of existence by the dynamite of genuine oratory. There was no language of diplomacy in Mussolini's "If I advance, follow me; if I retreat, kill me; if I die, avenge me," none in Hitler's "One People, one State, one Leader," still less in Stalin's unspooking firing squad, purging treason from his union of republics.

It is good that polite fiction should be replaced by—the truth. That a German should speak German and an Englishman English. There is—even with interpreters—less likelihood of misunderstanding.

But if the truth is to be spoken, it must be spoken openly. The promise of Open Diplomacy, made 20 years ago and dishonoured like so many idealistic pacts made since 1918, is still the greatest safeguard of a decent peace.

The language of diplomacy landed us in the war of 1914—when Edward Grey refused to tell Prince Lichnowsky that Britain would, certainly and definitely, fight on the side of France. The language of polite fiction put Abyssinia into the lap of Signor Mussolini who does not speak it; Austria into the hands of Herr Hitler who does not speak it; China under the (Achilles) heel of Japan, who does not speak it; and now has given all, and more than all, he demanded less than a month ago to Herr Hitler, who understood only one British speech—the mobilisation of the Navy.

If we talk to the dictators, we must talk their language, for they cannot speak ours.

Mr. Chamberlain's is the language of diplomacy; the language of evasion and subtle implication—and this he uses to his own people! Frankly, it leaves the man-in-the-street in something of a fog.

WHOLESALE PRICES

SLIGHT DECREASE IN THE COLONY DURING PAST YEAR

FOODSTUFFS AND TEXTILES

The Imports and Exports Department reports that according to an index number constructed at the Statistical Office wholesale prices in the Colony of Hongkong during the year 1938 show a general average decrease of 0.4% as compared with 1937, and increase of 20.7% as compared with 1936, 67.7% as compared with 1935, and 30.6 as compared with the base period of 1922.

Foodstuffs decreased by 3.4% as compared with 1937, and increased by 10.2% as compared with 1936, 51.1% as compared with 1935, and 31.0% as compared with 1922. Textiles decreased by 1.4% as compared with 1937, and increased by 16.8% as compared with 1936, 56.5% as compared with 1935, and 16.0% as compared with 1922. Metals and Minerals increased by 0.8% as compared with 1937, 37.4% as compared with 1936, 64.6% as compared with 1935, and 47.3% as compared with 1922. Miscellaneous Articles increased by 2.3% as compared with 1937, 37.0% as compared with 1936, 70.1% as compared with 1935, and 27.3% as compared with 1922.

The following table shows the course of price changes since 1933:

	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938
Foodstuffs	113.4	94.3	85.4	113.3	130.2	151.0
Textiles	97.0	85.9	74.2	99.4	117.7	141.6
Metals and Minerals	107.8	97.4	79.8	107.2	140.1	147.3
Miscellaneous	95.7	88.5	72.3	92.5	124.4	127.3
Average	103.6	91.5	77.9	103.1	131.1	130.6

FOODSTUFFS						
	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938
Beans	101.3	83.9	78.7	121.4	145.4	135.9
Beef	173.2	121.3	128.0	161.1	188.9	178.2
Eggs	96.7	86.0	73.0	93.0	107.7	103.3
Flour (Wheat)	85.7	75.8	68.3	104.4	141.2	110.1
Salt Fish	153.4	137.1	113.9	97.5	100.9	100.2
Fruits, Fresh	256.1	238.0	201.5	256.2	310.0	303.2
Lard	101.2	70.5	62.7	113.2	146.2	105.6
Milk (Condensed)	170.9	137.9	111.4	109.5	116.6	130.3
Mutton	139.4	143.2	110.7	172.7	183.7	187.5
Onions	81.6	63.8	48.6	94.3	94.9	134.3
Peanut Oil	101.7	73.1	64.7	131.3	151.3	111.6
Pork	100.6	87.3	77.3	97.3	151.9	124.4
Potatoes	88.2	71.8	60.4	88.0	102.8	134.7
Poultry	117.0	88.8	86.1	92.2	124.7	118.1
Rice (Broken)	88.9	66.1	68.6	103.0	133.0	125.8
Rice (White)	93.5	72.2	71.4	106.3	123.5	120.9
Sugar (Raw)	78.7	45.4	43.2	71.8	92.5	80.0
Vegetables (Dried etc.)	45.2	45.4	46.6	55.5	56.1	50.5
Vermicelli	80.3	68.0	63.3	84.7	112.4	123.9

TEXTILES						
	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938
Cotton Yarn	92.3	89.2	77.1	105.0	128.5	119.5
Cotton (Dyed Plain)	77.6	69.3	57.2	60.9	80.2	95.3
Italian (Dyed Figured)	61.0	61.6	57.3	69.2	109.2	90.6
Shirtings (White 40/43 Yards)	68.8	51.2	38.9	50.3	60.6	69.2
Hemp (Manilla)	80.8	64.7	67.4	140.0	166.2	102.2
Gunny Bags	220.5	183.0	147.8	107.2	214.5	184.5
Hessian Cloth	73.6	62.4	42.2	66.0	50.3	53.8
High Piece Goods	72.2	63.4	56.4	69.9	63.2	72.7
Silk Yarn (Artificial)	40.0	30.0	19.8	20.5	27.0	32.7
Blankets (Wool & Union)	101.5	94.7	78.1	106.6	113.6	140.3
Flannels	181.2	175.2	203.6	216.2	274.1	317.6
Suitings & Tweeds (Woolen)	93.7	91.5	41.3	61.5	89.8	105.8

METAL & MINERALS						
	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938
Brass Sheets	99.9	80.8	67.2	86.1	145.0	137.5
Yellow Metal Sheathing	109.7	86.9	73.5	103.9	145.9	130.1
Coin	92.9	83.9	73.1	85.0	107.7	135.4
Iron & Steel Bars	144.4	103.7	78.9	103.4	103.7	227.5
Iron & Steel Nails	118.8	101.8	62.6	80.4	132.8	162.2
Iron & Steel Plates	157.3	140.6	124.4	175.0	210.9	263.8
Lead (Pig)	66.6	85.0	70.7	148.9	214.0	144.0
Kerosene	67.6	33.7	29.7	40.0	33.7	49.6
Oil Fuel	151.7	145.3	126.5	148.4	178.3	152.9
Lubricating Oil	79.6	81.0	69.4	70.6	74.7	85.3
Petrol	55.9	26.9	19.8	33.4	39.7	32.7
Tin	188.8	203.3	168.0	200.1	268.3	236.0

MISCELLANEOUS						
	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938
Cement	41.9	45.8	42.3	40.4	48.3	101.4
Charcoal	33.8	30.3	31.3	32.4	33.1	36.6
Feather (Duck)	30.8	102.7	80.1	119.2	106.7	142.4
Firewood	104.6	89.0	80.6	74.1	93.2	117.0
Firewood (Softwood)	80.8	73.6	60.9	89.0	88.8	75.9
Hides (Cow)	131.1	147.0	119.9	208.3	322.8	277.5
Hides (Buffalo)	102.3	84.2	88.0	125.4	211.4	220.9
Leather (Sole)	107.3	69.2	73.5	101.6	150.5	147.0
Paper (Chinese)	69.4	62.2	64.0	50.0	76.1	74.5
Rattans	118.4	113.0	85.7	111.5	150.4	140.9
Saltpetre	120.2	98.3	78.0	106.2	140.4	136.7
Softwoods	95.5	91.0	78.0	106.2	140.4	136.7
Soda Ash	101.0	80.2	65.6	81.3	81.1	71.9
Sulphuric Acid	136.2	152.0	67.9	83.0	102.3	165.0
Sulphate of Ammonia	72.4	56.2	52.7	62.3	64.9	75.3

CLIPPER PASSENGER

Flying Round World On Holiday Trip

The Pan-American Clipper arrived just after midday on Saturday carrying five passengers. They included Mr. Mark Watson, for whom the Pacific hop was but one stage in an air journey which will carry him round the world. Mr. Watson was a passenger from San Francisco. After a few days in Hongkong, he will take plane again for his home in England, travelling via Indo-China, Siam, and the Dutch East Indies. His trip is purely a holiday.

Mr. C. S. Tananlong, manager of Luxon Industrial Corporation, Manila, and President of the Manila Chinese Y.M.C.A., came with the plane from Manila. Known in the Philippines as the "Coconut King," Mr. Tananlong is here on a business trip. Mr. H. C. Lamond, of the American Lead Pencil Company, arrived on his annual business tour. He will spend about 10 days in Hongkong before going to Shanghai. When his business in the East is over, he will return to the States by Clipper. The other passengers were Mr. E. Browner, Buxton, Pan-American staff man, and Mr. O. Fikes.

The Clipper left Hongkong early yesterday morning. Mr. Buxton and Mr. Dor Juan Dalmacio, who flew to Manila, Empire Mails Arrive. Mails from Australia and England arrived by Imperial Airways early on Saturday afternoon. A second plane came in, carrying passengers.

AIR FRANCE DEPARTS

An Air France plane left Kai Tak early on Saturday morning for France. There were eight passengers, including Mr. M. J. Meier, for Paris.

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The S. C. M. Post has received the following donations to the Salvation Army in memory of the late Dr. Irvin Kew:

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The S. C. M. Post has received the following donations to the Society for the Protection of Children in memory of the late Dr. Irvin Kew:
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Donations are lying at the Business Office of the South China Morning Post for the following:
Tung Wah Hospital, Emergency Refugees Council, Street Sleepers' Shelter Society, St. John Ambulance Association, S.P.C.A., Dr. Barnardo's Homes, Dogs' Home, B.F.R.D.C., Salvation Army.

Peace Saved P.P.U. Meeting

Britain Took Only Course Open

London, Jan. 28. "Without an improvement in Anglo-Italian relations I could never have obtained Signor Mussolini's co-operation last September, and without his co-operation, I don't believe peace could have been saved," declared Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, speaking at the Jewellers' Association dinner, in Birmingham.

"A great deal of criticism has been directed against the Munich Agreement and against the action I took in attempting, by personal contact, to obtain a peaceful solution to a problem which very nearly involved the world in a catastrophe of the first magnitude.

"Criticism comes from various quarters, but there is a feature common to all critics. None of them has the responsibility that lies upon me; none of them has that full knowledge of all the circumstances that is only open to His Majesty's Government. For myself, looking back, I see nothing to regret nor any reason to suppose another course would have been preferable. War to-day is so terrible in its effects on those who take part in it, and it brings so much loss and suffering even to those who stand aside and watch the conflict from the ring, that it ought never to be allowed to begin unless every practicable and honourable step has been taken to prevent it.

"That has been the view of this Government from the beginning and the Munich Agreement is only an incident in its consistent and unwavering policy of peace. I go further and say that the preservation of peace last September was only made possible by the events which preceded it, by the exchange of letters between myself and Signor Mussolini in the summer of 1937 and by the conclusion of the Anglo-Italian Agreement of February 1938.

Fruits of Rome Visit

"Without the improvement of relations between this country and Italy I could never have obtained Signor Mussolini's co-operation last September, and without his co-operation I don't believe peace could have been saved."

Alluding to the visit to Rome, the Premier said: "We went to Rome to get to know the Italian statesmen better, to ascertain by personal discussion what their point of view was and to make sure they understood ourselves. We accomplished all that and although there was complete frankness of speech on both sides, although we did not convert or attempt to convert one another at any point of view on any subject on which we might differ, yet I can say we came away better friends than when we went there."

Continuing Mr. Chamberlain said that his and Lord Halifax's visit to Rome has been criticised by people apparently determined to obstruct any attempt to carry out the wishes of the British and Italian people to live on good terms of friendship, to understand and settle differences by discussion and not by force.

That was true, not only in Italy and Britain, but equally in France and Germany. "Let us cultivate the friendship of these peoples. That can be done by individuals, by traders, as well as by more official representatives. Let us make it clear to them that we don't regard them as potential enemies, but rather as human beings like ourselves with whom we are always prepared to talk in terms of equality with an open mind and to hear their point of view, and satisfy, as far as we can, any reasonable aspirations they may cherish and which do not conflict with the general rights of others to liberty and justice.

"In that way alone we shall remove the eternal suspicions that poison the international atmosphere and get back our security of mind and that confidence which is the life and blood of a successful civilisation. We cannot forget that, though it takes at least two to make peace, one can make war. And until we have all political tensions in a position to defend ourselves against attack, whether upon our land, our people or our principles of freedom with which our existence as a democracy is bound up, and which, to us, seem to enshrine the highest attributes of human life and spirit.

Rearmament Programme

"It is for this purpose, the purpose of defence and not attack, that we are pursuing the task of rearmament with unremitting vigour and with the full approval of the country. It has taken us a long time, but progress is now being made more rapidly every day and in all directions.

Mr. Chamberlain then detailed the progress of all branches of the services during the year ending March 31. Sixty new warships of a total tonnage of 130,000 tons will have been added to the Navy by then and for the ensuing twelve months the addition will be even larger, namely about 75 ships with a total tonnage of 150,000 tons.

The air force has been going ahead at an equally remarkable rate during the last few months when Britain doubled the rate of aircraft production and good progress was also made in recruiting. The deficiencies in anti-aircraft defences, apparent in September, have largely been removed and the position has very greatly improved, not only as regards the increase in guns, but also in organisation. Elaborating on his National Voluntary Service, the Premier said: "If we should ever be involved in war we may well find that if we are not all in the line now we may all be in the line then. And in meeting that danger there is a new opportunity and service for the civilian."

The Rev. A. P. Rose will be the speaker at next Wednesday's meeting of the Hongkong Group the Peace Pledge Union. His subject will be "Peace and War." The meeting will be held in the Challenge Bookshop, Ice House Street, and is open to the public.

population in the various branches of civil defence.

"We are now seeking to build up a vast civil defence force to be embodied in the professional army in time of war and relieving citizens in general of the responsibilities of their own defence. Our task is to find people for certain definite jobs and not find jobs for the whole of the people."

Referring to the plans for civil defence, Mr. Chamberlain said: "I am not afraid of the results of our appeal for voluntary workers. The spirit of service is ever present in our people and was never stronger than it is to-day. Our motto is 'defence by defence.' It is of the essence of our civilisation that the response of the nation to show our determination to make that defence inviolable."

Concluding Mr. Chamberlain regretted that it should be necessary to devote so much time and such a vast proportion of the revenue of the country to war-like preparations. "I feel it is now time that others should make their contribution. The air is full of rumours and suspicions which ought not to be allowed to persist. For peace could only be endangered by such a challenge as was envisaged by the President of the United States in his demand to dominate the world by force. That would be a demand which, as the President and I have already declared, Democracies must inevitably resist. I cannot believe that such a challenge is intended, for the consequences of it would be so grave that no Government would lightly embark upon war."

"Moreover I remain convinced that there are no differences however serious, that cannot be solved without recourse to war, by consultation and negotiation as laid down by the Munich declaration."

Press Reaction

London, Jan. 29. Once again Mr. Neville Chamberlain has asked for "a sign," London press commentators, in addition to underlining the former passages of the Premier's speech, lay emphasis on the immediate importance of his remark that the world is in a dangerous position. It is in this view that time for others to make their contribution. This is regarded as a direct question for Hitler to reply to on Monday.

The course of a leader the Observer remarks, "Sudetenland is not the same thing as France or Britain, sovereign territory is worse than idle on our side to disguise the anxiety with which the outcome is awaited or on the other side to mistake the cold rigid front that awaits an aggressor."

WELCOMED IN PARIS

France Hopes for Peaceful Gesture from Dictators

Paris, Jan. 28. The firm tone of Mr. Chamberlain's courteous and conciliatory speech in Birmingham is welcomed in Paris as a pendant to M. Edouard Daladier's speech in the Chamber. Like M. Daladier, it is noted, Mr. Chamberlain held out a friendly hand towards Italy and expressed belief in the possibility of discussions between France and Germany. Like Mr. Daladier he dealt with the necessity of strength in defence, with a firm stand for peace.

The phrase: "Our motto is neither defence nor defence, it is defence," is held to sum up admirably the task immediately ahead of the great Democracies. Hope is also expressed that the invitation to Italy and Germany to make a contribution to peace will be heard and perhaps bring forth some response in the speeches of Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini.—Reuter.

American Views

Washington, Jan. 29. Mr. Neville Chamberlain's speech is interpreted here as a welcome revelation of a more resolute attitude against further international blackmail. Circles close to the Government believe that come what may Mr. Chamberlain will remain an optimist to the last.

The warmth of Mr. Chamberlain's reference to Signor Mussolini so soon after Mr. Daladier's acclamation of the fall of Barcelona as a victory for Fascism has caused some surprise. Many wish they could share the Premier's optimism especially in view of the impending Fascist triumph in Spain with a threat to Britain and France in the Mediterranean and the prospect of France facing totalitarian pressure exerted on three fronts.—Reuter.

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A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

By a Royal warrant received at Woolwich it is ordered that the Commissariat and Transport Staff shall be abolished and that the Commissariat and Transport Corps shall in future be designated "the Army Service Corps."

The body of an unknown woman was found yesterday morning in the streets of a populous suburb of London. At the Coroner's inquest to-day, physicians declared that the woman had been murdered by strangulation. A mark on the neck showed a small cord had been tied tightly around it. She was of low character. When the body was found it was still warm and was lying in an open thoroughfare. There is no possibility that the woman could have taken her own life and possibly it is another White-chapel case.

The "Star" publishes interviews with physicians who had given testimony at the Coroner's inquest in the cases of the previous East End murders, with the conclusion that the recent Poplar strangling was the work of the White-chapel fiend.—This was the famous "Jack the Ripper"—Ed.

News from Panama says that De Lesseps to-day telegraphed that the continuation of work on the Panama canal was assured.—De Lesseps, builder of the Suez, was forced to abandon his Panama project after countless lives had been claimed by the ubiquitous mosquito, whose malarial qualities were then unknown.—Ed.

25 YEARS AGO

Last night Lady May was "at home" to the members of the Young Women's Christian Association, and the occasion was marked by the attendance of some 125 ladies. During the course of the evening the Secretary, Mrs. G. T. Edkins, presented a letter which had been received from Ellis Kadoorie and Lady May's answer.

On the strength of these letters a vote was formally put to the gathering that the name Y.W.C.A. be changed to that of the "Women's Institute" and later to take the name of the "Helen May Institute for Women." The motion was unanimously carried.

Mr. Kadoorie's letter promised to give a sum of \$15,000, or, if necessary, \$20,000, to establish the Women's Institute, provided the public raise a like sum.

While Mr. Lloyd George's demand for the reduction of our defence has caused surprise and resentment in France, it has aroused the usual scorn in Germany. The Post which is quoted by the Telegraph's correspondent, states:—After Mr. Churchill we now have Mr. Lloyd George, too. But it is positively a ridiculous exaggeration to talk of "infinitely more friendly relations" to Germany. The relationships between England and Germany are at the moment not bad, but that is really all that can be said. But no, as Mr. Lloyd George says, as possible must be again taken.

The Berliner Neueste Nachrichten says:—Like two moths round the light, the English Ministers, Churchill and Lloyd George, flutter continually about the but disarmament. They have already more than once burnt their wings a bit, but it is nothing—draws and again the seductive glow draws them into its fatal circle. It seems that Mr. Lloyd George's words are to be the prelude to a fresh disarmament comedy of England.

Arrangements have now been got in hand for the early commencement of the actual erection of the new railway station on Kowloon Point. The foundations have been down for some considerable time and we understand that the contract for the iron work of the building has been practically fastened with a local company. When this is ready for delivery, as it should be in some six or seven weeks' time, the superstructure will be commenced.

The official opening of the new Kiel Canal, which connects the war ports of the North Sea and Baltic, and is provided with the most commodious works of their kind in the world, will take place next April. The completion of the work will be marked by ceremonies at which the Kaiser will preside, of a character befitting the event. In the opinion of naval strategists the works will immensely strengthen the striking efficiency of the German fleet.

10 YEARS AGO

With the National Government facing a possible deficit on the Budget for the current financial year, President Coolidge has issued a warning urging that rigid economy in Federal expenditure must be continued. He adds that the rapidly mounting cost of the State and local Governments must be sharply curtailed if national prosperity is to be maintained.

Addressing members of the Kowloon Y.M.C.A. last evening, in the first of a series of talks on China, Dr. S. Y. Wong said: "The new Chinese Central Government will only be a success if China is left alone and allowed to live free hand. We cannot succeed if we have foreign interference in our politics. We shall have a representative government like Western nations, in the course of time, if we can get peace, and the spread of education in our country—and we shall only get this if foreign Powers do not interfere with us."

"Your hat will be arrested," said Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning. The offender was his headgear in Court. The offender was ordered to return in two hours' time to see if his hat, which was detained by the Court.

5 YEARS AGO

In an exhibition game of billiards at Shamshuipo last night, Willie Smith defeated A. Damund. Hongkong points in 1,000, by

SOUTH CHINA "A" BEATEN 2-1 BY EASTEN ELEVEN

LEAGUE HOPES JEOPARDISED BY REVERSE

(By "Abo")

South China "A" lost two valuable points in their race for the First Division championship of the Football League with the Navy when they were defeated by two goals to one by Eastern on the Club ground yesterday. On the day's performance, they fully deserved to lose; their opponents were the nippier side and took full advantage of their opportunities in the first half.

The absence of Li Tin-sang from his accustomed position at left back made a considerable difference in the South China defence, which was very shaky right through. Leung Wing-chiu, who took over Li's berth, obviously was not happy in his new position, and after Eastern had taken a lead of 2-0, he changed over with Lee Kwok-wai, who made a far better job of it.

Nevertheless, Li's steady influence was missed badly. South China's defenders yesterday were far too flustered, especially after their opponents had forged ahead, and in any case, the Caroline Hill men were lucky to get away with such a narrow defeat.

On the other hand, Eastern's backs and half-backs, by first-time tackling, were able to keep out the South China forwards, who were never allowed to settle down to play their usual smooth game. Soong Ling-sing, the pivot, played a great part in Eastern's victory with his fine defensive play. He stuck to Fung King-cheung like a long-lost brother, and as a result the South China leader, who usually distributes his passes so well to his colleagues, was unable to find his men with the same regularity. The backs, Chang Chung-wan and Mew Wah-kwok, also defended stoutly, the latter's first-time kicking being a feature of his play.

FORWARDS INEFFECTIVE

With Fung King-cheung more or less bottled up, the South China forward line's effectiveness was reduced considerably. Neither Lai Shiu-wing nor Kwok Ying-kee, the two inside forwards, was able to receive the passes on which they usually thrive, and though both Law Tsun-man and Tang Kwong-sum, the wingers, now and again found passes to their liking, these were rare and far between.

The re-shuffling of the half-back line succeeded in stopping further goals, but in keeping out the Eastern forwards the intermediates had little time to help in the attack. So, while the defence was strengthened

after being two goals down, the attack remained the same weak, unreliable machine.

Actually Eastern's forwards were far more dangerous when on the move. Chan Bing-to (outside right), Lee Tak-kee (centre-forward) and Hau Ching-to (outside left) were the key men. Their thrusts were swift. South China's defenders found this out in the first few minutes when a centre from Chan Bing-to was headed into the net by Lee, who had to jump high to get to the ball. Then a few minutes later, in another lightning raid, Lee sent Hau away, and the latter cut in to beat Pau Ki-ping for the second goal.

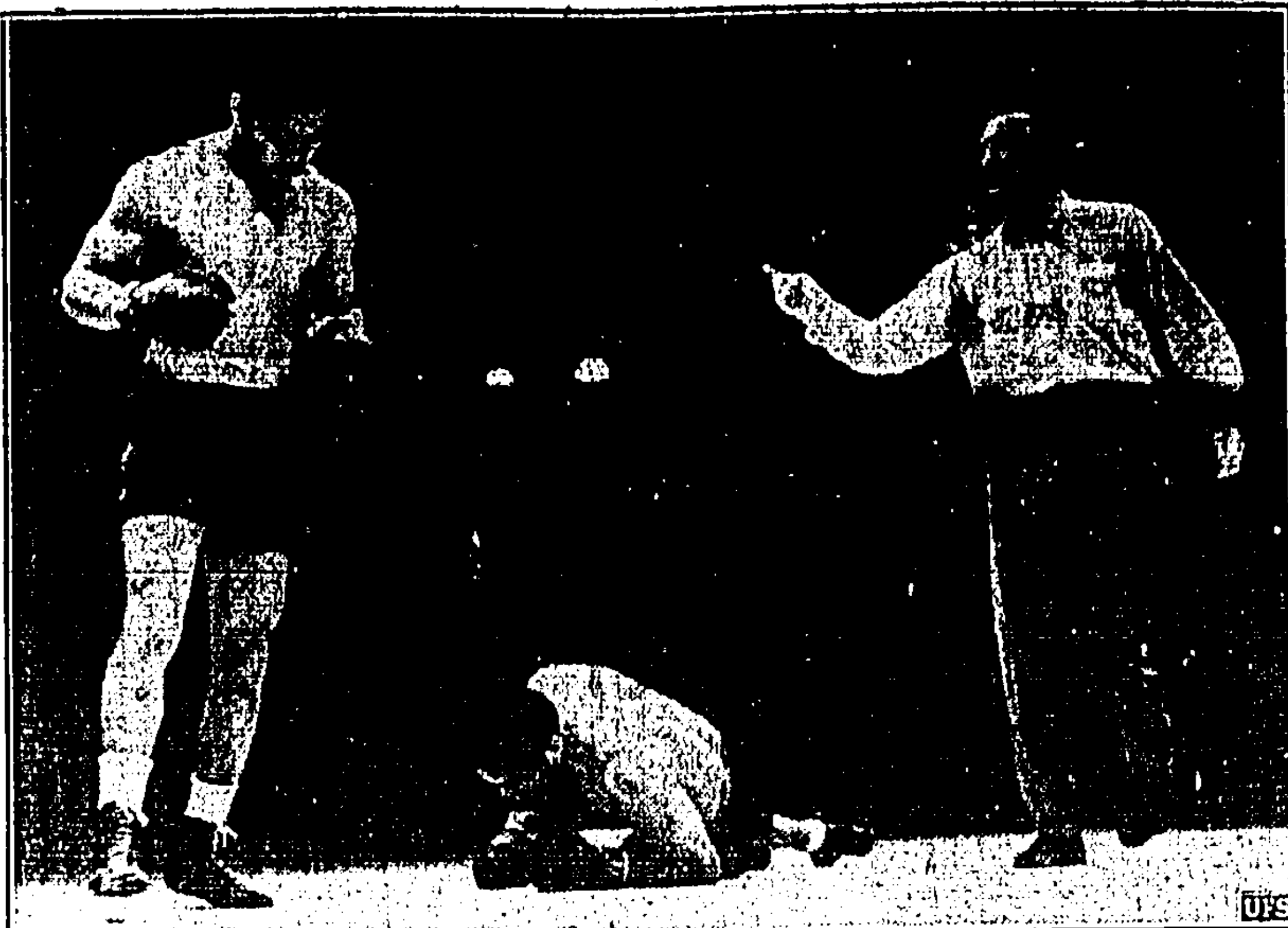
Hsu King-shing, more accustomed to playing in the half-back line, turned out at inside left. He was a hard-worker, but too often nullified his efforts by hanging on the ball over-long, when a pass to one of his colleagues would have had better results to his side.

LISTLESS SIDE

The whole South China side seemed listless. At least they were almost always a yard slower on the ball than their opponents, and though Lai Shiu-wing reduced the deficit before the whistle blew for half-time they were unable to score the equalising goal.

Towards the end of the second period, Eastern packed their goal, and at certain stages of the encounter, there were only two or three men in the South China half during a raid. But the policy paid. Try as they did, South China were unable to penetrate the defence and the final whistle blew with Eastern worthy winners.

Teams: South China "A"—Pau Ka-ping; Mak Siu-hon, Leung Wing-chiu; Chang Ngai-cheung, Lau Hing-choi; Lee Kwok-wai; Tang Kwong-sum, Lai Shiu-wing, Fung King-cheung; Kwok Ying-kee and Lau Tsun-man. Eastern—Lau Hin-hon; Chang Chung-wan, Mew Wah-kwok; Lau Chi-chuen, Soong Ling-sing, Lo Wai-kuen; Chan Bing-to, Ng Kee-cheung; Lee Tak-kee, Hsu King-shing and Hau Ching-to.



"I'm Louis' master," insists Max Schmeling, the German boxer, who is now on his way to America. This picture tends to prove otherwise: It was taken 2 minutes and four seconds after the start of their title fight last June when Louis knocked him out. Schmeling first said that his visit to New York was a combination of business and pleasure, but it is now reported that he is angling for a return fight with the negro champion.

Indians Just Manage To Win A Point In Game Against C.C.C.

Though cricket matches generally on Saturday appear to have been of a very exciting variety, it would take a good deal to improve on the games which were played at the Valley. At Craigengower, the Indian R.C.—Craigengower C.C. struggle was renewed again, with the Indians barely managing to thwart their rivals of two points and save one for themselves.

Minu won the toss, and contrary to the expectations of Craigengower, sent the home team in to bat. This in view of the fact that the wicket there is known to be playing heavily in the second innings. Craigengower, however, were taking no chances, and scoring at times was laborious. Minu, early on, appeared to have found a "spot" which was regarded apprehensively for the balls popped up alarmingly. However, though the ball was turning quite a bit, it seemed a batsman's wicket. The Indians' catching surprisingly, was bad, though it was redeemed by a most brilliant one by Nazarin just on the boundary; but the ground fielding was good. An astonishing number of catches were put down.

Souza's return to form was welcomed by his team-mates, and though he collected 45, his innings was far from being his soundest. The true excitement of the match was in the end. The Indians opened with Y. el Arculli and K. Nazarin who were progressing at a rate that would have brought victory when Nazarin was run out. A. H. Madar joined Arculli, and both were also shaping confidently when the latter was caught and bowled by Billimoria.

A BRILLIANT CATCH Minu came in and the field dropped out, but A. K. Ismail in the gully, and close in, took a "hot" one off Francis Zimmern to send Minu back. It was a wonderful one-

AUSTRALIAN TENNIS

Melbourne, Jan. 28. In the final of the women's Lawn Tennis singles championship of Australia to-day, Mrs. E. Westcott beat Mrs. H. Hopman 6-1, 6-2. In the men's doubles final, John Bromwich and Adrian Quist beat Donald Turnbull and Long 6-4, 7-5, 6-2.—Renter.

handed catch, above and behind the head. This, apparently, was the turn of the tide, for A. R. Kitchell mis-timed Ismail and was held by Souza; Madar was scooped off the ground with one hand by E. Zimmern in the slips, and M. el Arculli was brilliantly run out by Souza. The clock ticked on, and Craigengower's fieldsmen clustered around the remaining batsmen like flies around a jam-pot. One from F. R. Zimmern shot through and took K. M. Rumjahn's wicket, and a little later Ismail All put his foot in front of a straight "un" from Billimoria. Tension was high. Chaps in the pavilion couldn't hold their glasses without stopping some of the contents.

Meanwhile, at the other end, S. A. Ismail was doing his "stuff" with a bat as dead as yesterday's news. M. P. Madar was bowled by Billimoria in the second last over, leaving one over to go with one wicket to fall. Zimmern (F.R.) took the last over and on his third ball, A. T. Lee

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CLUB RUGBY SIDE MUCH TOO GOOD FOR REST FIFTEEN

Happy Augury For Next Saturday's Interport

(By "Fly-Half")

On Saturday afternoon on the Club ground, the team picked to represent the Club to play in the Interport against Malaya which takes place next Saturday, met a team drawn from the Rest of the Colony. It was obvious from the kick-off that Club would have a comfortable victory in view of the fact that not one of the regular Navy players was included in the Rest team; and so it proved.

However, the game was far from drab because the Rest forwards put up a great fight against their more formidable opponents, and it was not until near the end of the game that they were subdued. Culmer, a fifteen-stone forward, played a stout game, being prominent in most of the forward rushes made by the Rest pack. He was ably assisted by Cuthbertson, Berry and Page. Potter was the main spring in the Rest backs until he was injured. He received a good service from Rutherford, who put in a good afternoon's work. This was Rutherford's first appearance in many weeks.

Thomas, out on the wing, was seldom called into action except in defence and then he was generally left with two men to deal with.

GOOD CLUB PACK

There was a comfortable look about the packing of the Club pack which augurs well for them in next Saturday's game. Peers and Waiden are perfectly matched in the second row where they bound well. Salter, with the push in his favour, gained possession of the ball in the set scrums almost repeatedly. In the line-outs, the Rest forwards were equally as good as the Club men, especially Culmer and Berry.

The Club wing three were rather careless in their throwing-in, placing the ball without discretion. If Henderson was once again in fine form, his quick passing was fairly safe and caused no uneasiness. Once or twice he broke through on his own and showed a clean pair of heels. MacGrath was far too individualistic at stand-off half. He had a bad habit of running across instead of passing out when he saw his way barred in front.

PRACTICE FOR THREE

The Club three were seldom called upon in defence and found little difficulty in piercing their opponents' three-line. The wing three, when in possession, had little more than to run for the line. It appeared that, with the Club three meeting such poor opposition, they were endeavouring to indulge in as much inter-passing as possible. Punters ahead were tried frequently by the Club wing three when a long cross-kick would have been more profitable. Often forwards were up waiting in vain for a cross-kick.

Watson started the game at stand-off half but after ten minutes' play changed places with MacGrath, the Club's regular full-back. The former had very little to do. Chadwick (2), Henderson and Redman scored tries for the Club in the first half. Henderson's effort was typical of him—from a scrum on the Rest's line, he flung himself over the line. Watson converted two.

Berry and Boc kicked penalty goals for the Rest. Club were on many occasions penalised for off-sides.

Chadwick, Grieve, Biddwell and Stewart (2) scored unconverted tries for the Club. Potter forced his way over for the Rest's only try which was not improved upon.

Teams: Club 1st XV—E. M. Watts; D. H. Stewart; H. D. Biddwell; W. E. Grieve; G. K. Chadwick; M. W. McGraith; J. R. Henderson; K. A. Watson; K. W. Salter; Dr. E. W. Stout; A. F. Waiden; W. E. Peers; J. Redman; A. J. G. Taylor; W. B. Richardson.

The Rest—L/Cpl. Neulan; F.O. Thomas; L/Cpl. Boc, Ldg. Sea Stend, Lt. Whibley; Lt. Potter, R. Rutherford; Sub. Lt. Hain, Cpl. Morgan, Wtr. Packer, Sub. Lt. Culmer, L/Cpl. Sutherland, L/Sgt. Page, Pte. Berry and Lt. M. H. Cuthbertson.

CLUB "A" BEATEN A team drawn from H.M.S. Tamar and the Small Ships defeated the Club "A" by 17 points (a goal and four tries) to six points (two tries). The Navy men were superior at forward, especially in the loose where Thorburn excelled. Clark was the better of the scrum-halves, his via-via Hopkins being out of position. Dalziel was the pick of the Club forwards.

Scorers for the Tamar and Small Ships were Clark (2), Thorburn (2) and Ferris, while Ashton converted one. Van Leeuwen and Bosanquet scored unconverted tries for the Club.

INTER-HONG SOFTBALL COMMENCES

Following are the scores of yesterday's softball games:

Men.—Canadian Chinese 3, English Forum 2; Central British 10, St. Joseph's 6. Women.—Canadian Chinese 15, Central British 2; Cubs 45, Panthers 17; Wildcats 10, Recreio 13. Inter-Hong.—Netherlands Bank 11, Texaco 0. Shell Oil 5, National City Bank 3.

Men's League Standing

Team	W	L	Pct
Chinese Baseballers	7	2	.777
Midsets	7	2	.777
Recreio	7	2	.777
Philips	4	3	.571
Canadian Chinese	4	4	.500
Trojans	4	4	.500
Central British	3	4	.428
Machine Gunners	3	4	.428
English Forum	2	5	.285
Hongkong Baseballers	2	5	.285
St. Joseph's	1	7	.125

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SECOND HOCKEY INTERPORT TRIAL HELD PROVIDED LITTLE OF INTEREST TO CROWD

(By "The Pilgrim")

The second Hockey Interport trial, held on the Club ground at King's Park yesterday morning, proved of little interest to the spectators. Little new was learned by the Selectors.

The first half, which ended in a 1-1 draw, provided some good play, but the second period, after changes had been made, was a scrappy affair in which the Colours' attack was the main feature. This half also ended in a 1-1 draw.

The Colours took the lead in the first half through Fonseca, who had no hesitation in snapping up a partial clearance by King to kick the ball past Gonsalves for a neat goal. After a ding-dong struggle, in which both defences excelled, G. Singh, at inside left, evened up matters for the Whites with a good goal.

G. Singh and Pyara Singh, in the Whites' left flank, provided the danger in the attack, but Kennedy, at centre-forward, and Pritam Nath, at inside right, could not work up a combination. The latter, though displaying clever stickwork, more often than not sent the ball too far out for Smith on the right wing.

BEST DEFENDERS

Gonsalves, at right back, and W. A. Reed, at centre-half, for the Whites, were easily the best defenders.

For the Colours, the intermediate line of Hussain, Hook and N. Whitley gave a fine display, with Hook at centre-half stealing the honours. Bond, at right back, was fast in his tackling, but Sommer, his partner, failed to impress.

Bartlett, Kraus and Fonseca, the inside trio, placed individualism before combination and their standard of play was never very high as a result. The first-named had a glorious opportunity of scoring when he broke through in a solo effort, but he finished up poorly. Miller was a dashing left winger who displayed poor stick-work and little was seen of S. Fowler, who was practically starved on the right wing.

On the run of play, Colours should have had a 2-1 victory over the Whites.

SECOND HALF

Though play in this half was scrappy, a better combination in the defence was noticeable. Benwell, in goal, did some splendid work when he made two brilliant clearances off Pyara Singh and Kennedy. The two full backs, Bond and Gonsalves, worked well together, demonstrating a good understanding. Hussain, Hook and N. Whitley were again in the picture and made a mess of the attempts of Pritam Nath, Kennedy and Fonseca, the Whites' forwards, to get within shooting range. They certainly worked well with their backs. G. Singh was brought in at inside left to Kraus and Miller and was the most effective inside forward. S. Fowler on the right wing with Bartlett as his inside man did not show his old dash, and the pair never combined effectively.

The Whites were best served in the defence by Taylor (right back), Marques (right half) and W. A. Reed (centre-half).

NEVER DANGEROUS

Pritam Nath, at inside right, and Kennedy, at centre-forward, never looked dangerous, nor did they reveal any outstanding skill or tactics. The former at times completely forgot that he had a right wing.

Pyara Singh, on the left wing, though not in his true position, exhibited dazzling stick-work and his equalising goal was a brilliant bit of individualistic work.

S. Singh drew first blood for the Colours with a smart flick goal and Pyara Singh equalised later. Both sets of forwards were mastered by better defence.

I believe 15 players will be nominated by the Selectors, though the names have not been announced. No further trials will be held.

Further comment on the trials will be published on Thursday.

OUR SWEETEST BEE (see page 7)

Fifteen Players Selected

Following the second trial held yesterday morning, 15 names have been selected from whom the team to play Macao in the Interport on Sunday, February 19, will be chosen.

Those selected are: V. Bond (Club), S. Fowler (C.B.A.), J. Gonsalves (Recreio), Lieut. Goodwin (R.N.), Lieut. Hook (Army), Lt. Commr. Kennedy (R.N.), M. R. Malik (K.I.T.C.), R. Marques (Recreio), Nerain Singh (Army), Lieut. Pritam Nath (Army), Parab (Army), Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.), W. A. Reed (Club), N. Whitley (Club) and Lt. Wood (R.N.). Umpires. — Messrs. R. Henderson and K. Hussain.

St. Andrew's Superior To C.B.A. Girls

(By "The Pilgrim")

On their ground on Saturday, the Central British School girls entertained St. Andrew's in the Cner Clark Cup competition and were defeated by four goals to one.

The schoolgirls commenced at a fast pace and after a continued attack, Miss P. Turnbull, at inside right, gave them the lead. Their forwards passed well while on the run and the two wingers, Miss E. Watson and Miss J. Bradbury, were getting the ball across the middle.

Although the Saints' defence was hard pressed, it held firm until the attack began to show improvement, and a goal from Miss F. Wong on the right wing put the teams on level terms.

Saints continued the offensive and a few minutes later, Miss F. Wong again cut in cleverly, doing the needed giving her side the lead. The schoolgirls were trying hard to equalise when the interval arrived.

Following up in the second half, the Saints had full measure of their youthful opponents and though they frequently got into the circle the forwards missed a number of scoring chances. Enjoying the best of the exchanges, however, further goals were added by Miss A. Greiner and Miss P. Gittins.

The Saints were much the superior side and would have doubled the score had the attack been in form.

Indians Lucky To Win A Point

(Continued from Page 8)

nearly picked one off Jamali's bat. However the batsman let the remaining balls swing by, and the match ended.

There was, incidentally, some slight misunderstanding about the last over. Neither umpire had as yet declared "last over", but for some reason several of the players thought Billimoria's over was the last. Actually, the umpires agreed that there was time for another and so it was played.

ARMY "B" SURPRISED BY HIGH SPEED OF K. C. C. SCORING

B.D. Lay's Century Helps Visitors To Fine Win



Bertram Lay to him fell the honour of scoring the first League century this season.

When two junior cricket teams, in the space of three and a half hour of actual play, manage to score 404 runs, one is inclined, instinctively to rate the bowling as tripe, but possibly in most cases this would be an accurate estimate. Yet, in the Army "B" v. K.C.C. league game at Sookunpoo on Saturday, in which this imposing aggregate of runs was amassed, the bowling, although perhaps lacking a certain amount of "devil", could not in fairness be dismissed as tripe.

Most of the credit for the tall scoring must go without qualification to the batsmen, who, on both sides, showed considerable enterprise, and used their bats in purposeful manner. The Army started in a whirlwind fashion, hoisting the first 50 in 20 minutes, and although there were two periods thereafter in which the telegraph board made slow progress, the home side were always well in the clock, and their declaration at 107 for four wickets at about 3.52 p.m., was not only fair to the K.C.C., but apparently fairly safe. The Army made their runs in about an hour and three-quarters of actual play, and they made them well. Corporal Webb and Sapper Ratcliffe batted with supreme confidence to raise the score from 19 for 1 to 131. The former helped himself to a stylish and hard-hitting half century, without blemish, his square cuts, immediately after he had reached his 50 he was dropped off a hard square cut, but in the next over obstructed a straight one from Luke.

Against Baldwin and Lay may little attempt to force the pace, but he dealt unmercifully with anything which hinted at being loose, and his untarnished innings was a pleasure to watch. He scored his 77 out of a total of 178 and was undefeated when the closure was applied. Thirteen boundaries were his best strokes, and he scored his runs all round the wicket, although his straight driving was the most memorable feature.

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DISTINGUISHED INNINGS

The result must have been a delightful surprise to the Kowloon team, but chief pleasure was centred in the success of Bertram Lay, whose innings of 121 not out was a most distinguished piece of batmanship. He did not give a chance until he had completed his century (made in 100 minutes), and this, despite the fact that he forced the pace from the outset.

His tremendous pulls, perfectly timed cover-drives and hefty straight drives, four of which cleared the sight screen, helped to make his innings very attractive. He was never really uncomfortable, although he nearly pulled a ball or two to his stumps when in the 50's, and later in the innings, with the light becoming bad, he lofted a number of shots, though none of them went to hand.

Twenty-one boundaries testify to the forcefulness of his batting. Although his was the outstanding knock, he did not entirely overshadow his colleagues, many of whom lent valuable support. Mulcahy hit five boundaries in his 22, and useful contributions of 21 from Broadbridge and 20 from Gray, both made in quick time, helped the K.C.C. to pull off a dazzling victory.

KUMAON RIFLES HOLD MACAO HOCKEY TEAM TO A DESERVED DRAW

Macao, Jan. 29.

The keenest interest was vested in this afternoon's hockey match and local sports circles anticipate that if the standard of play of Macao's team continues, Macao's chances in the forthcoming Interport are very promising. No less than 500 spectators were present and at the close of a very strenuous match, the visiting team of the Kumaon Rifles drew with Macao's formidable eleven, each side scoring once.

As play commenced, the local forwards pressed and kept the ball well in the visitors' territory for the best part of a quarter of an hour. The Kumaons, however, managed to stem the attack time and again, but Tiloh Singh and Gussain Singh had their hands full to ward off successive blows.

Macao all but opened the score after five minutes when P. Angelo, centre-forward, directed a fine shot at the Kumaon goal but Ram Singh managed to clear. Two long and one short corners were awarded to Macao in as many minutes, but the local side did not find it possible to convert.

There was splendid understanding among the local forwards who were served accurately by their half back line. In one of their raids on the Kumaon position, Angelo, placed a neat pass to H. Rosario on his immediate left enabling the latter to score. The visitors would concede nothing and made several one attempts to equalise, but Parab was well marked and up to the interval Macao maintained their lead.

As play resumed, a brilliant effort was staged by the Kumaon forward line, but to no avail. The ball travelled forward into Macao territory extremely quickly. However, H.

Rosario succeeded in diverting the ball close up to the home goal; the Kumaons failed to secure anything from the resulting long corner.

The visitors had quite evidently come into their own in the second half as time and again they threatened the opposition defence. The Kumaon left flank was a constant menace and twice in quick succession penetrated the local half-back line. Santos Ferreira, left-half, was responsible for clearing both shots at goal. The second was a fine save as Almada, warding off danger on the left of his goal, had not time enough to guard the position to the right. Ferreira made a flying leap and saved.

There were barely four minutes of play left when a skilful manoeuvre by Capt. Loch and Narain Singh brought the Kumaon forwards up in a last raid. Seizing his opportunity when close up to the opponents' goal mouth, Narain Singh sent a crashing shot into the home goal, Almada tripping and falling over in a desperate bid to save.

Kumaon Rifles:—Ram Singh; Tiloh Singh, Gussain Singh; Krishna Singh, Lal Singh, Gulab Singh; Tiloh Singh, Ummed Singh, Capt. Loch, Narain Singh, Parab.

Macao:—Almada; H. Rosario, Costa; J. Nolasco, Alex Aires, Santos Ferreira; F. Nolasco, Albert Aires, P. Angelo, H. Rosario, A. Angelo.

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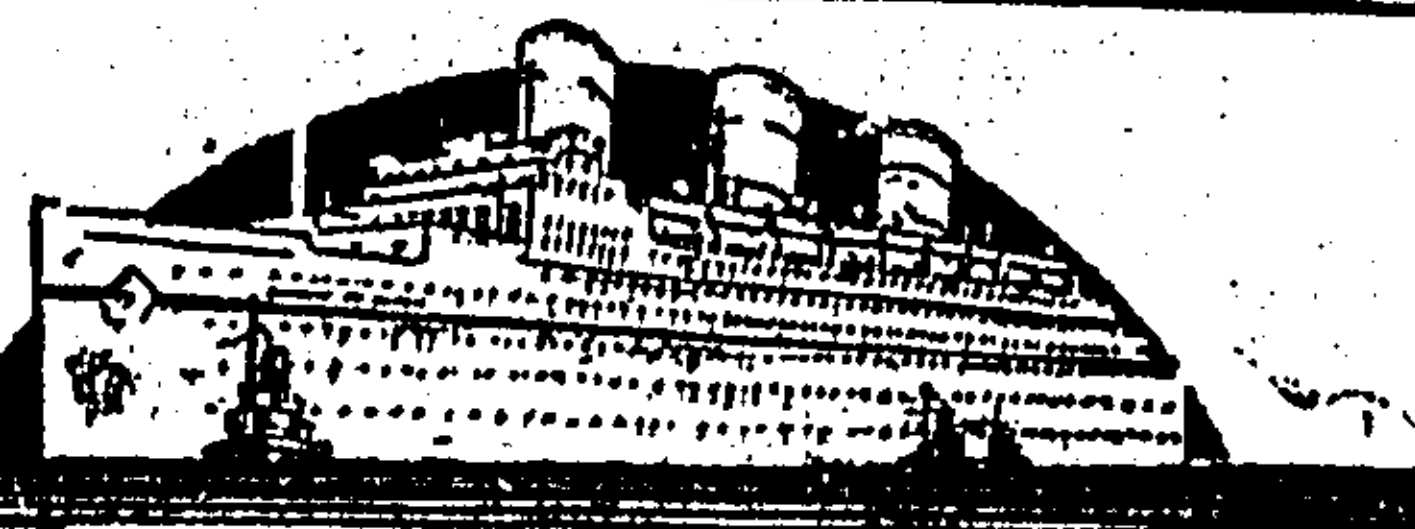
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Culled From The Kitchen

ICED cakes may become over-sweet. This is prevented if the icing sugar is mixed with lemon juice instead of water.

When using mustard or any pungent sauce for sandwiches, mix it first with the butter before spreading on the bread. This ensures even distribution of the flavouring.

When turning out a steamed pudding, leave for a minute or two to shrink from the sides. If it adheres to the bottom of the bowl, loosen carefully with the curved blade of a grapefruit knife, and it will turn out perfectly.

Should coffee not be freshly ground, place the required quantity in a pan and shake over a low heat for a moment before infusing. The flavour will equal that of newly bought coffee.

Before guests arrive for dinner, freshen up the house by putting a few drops of lavender water in a bowl of hot water. All odours of cooking will then disappear.

M. L. B.

1 Glossy black velvet evening gloves and bag match a black hair-ribbon and contrast with a white frock. A small posy of real flowers is pinned to each wrist.

2 Low-cut neck of the white frock is laced with black, tied with a bow, and filled with violet, pink, and blue flowers.

3 The new hair-fix, curls on top and ringlets down the back, is tied high with ribbon and a spray of flowers.

4 Ribbon and flowers again, but this time on the nape of the neck.

5 Transparent puff sleeves, made of stiff organza, are filled with bright flowers and tied with a ribbon matching the hair-tie.

6 Coral is back at the top of fashion. Thick twisted strands make necklace and bracelet, and match small earrings. The three electrify a white satin dress.



The Tuxedo style is in high favour this year. Here it is shown in a hem-length coat of grey caracul with silver fox. Motyniec made the cunning hat and trimmed it with violet satin ribbon.

Cooking Lore

BEFORE stoning raisins, cut them in half and grease the fingers with a little butter instead of moistening them with water, as it is essential to keep the fruit as dry as possible. Incidentally, the stones are less likely to adhere to the fingers.

Soft biscuits should be placed on a tin in a moderately hot oven for a few minutes. Afterwards cool off on a wire stand when they will again become crisp.

When making egg sandwiches, scramble the egg instead of boiling it, for not only are many more sandwiches made, but they are more easily digested, and consequently better suited for small children.

Remember when cooking sausages to roll them lightly in flour before frying, for they will not then stick to the pan.

Before roasting potatoes, stand them in boiling water for fifteen minutes. Wipe them dry and peel off of each one a circular strip. Then put them in a hot oven and the potatoes will be surprisingly light.

If when frying herrings or mackerel a few thin strips are cut from the outside of a grapefruit and put into the hot fat, much of the greasy taste will be taken away.

To keep the oven clean when cooking a fruit pie, fill a tray slightly larger than the pie-dish with coarse salt, and place the dish on this. Then if the juice does boil over, it will be absorbed by the salt and not burn.

When icing a cake, remember to sprinkle a little flour over the top, for it will keep the icing sugar from running over the sides.

To make a sweet glaze for pastry, dissolve in a pan over the fire one tablespoonful of brown sugar in two tablespoonfuls of milk. When cooked it can be brushed over the pastry.

Add a tablespoonful of milk to the water in which potatoes are boiled, and it will make them white and fluffy, and clear away any discoloration.

To prevent a cauliflower losing its colour while being cooked, add a small cupful of milk to some boiled salted water and plunge the prepared cauliflower in this.

G. G. T.

SALAD FLORIDA

SLICE off top and bottom of grapefruit with a sharp, pointed knife, cut away all peel and pith. Cut out the sections between the membranes. Use lettuce or cos lettuce. Cut the lettuce into quarters, arrange slices of grapefruit on the lettuce, decorating with strips of pimento. Take half a glass of cream, squeeze remaining grapefruit juice into it, season with tabasco, sugar and salt to taste, and pour over salad. A very good salad for game or cold meat.

I'm Glad I Married A Typist!

MUCH has been said against the ability of the business girl to make a first-rate wife and it is about time someone said a word in her favour.

Before marriage, my wife could hardly claim much knowledge of the culinary art, but it was not long before she was able, with the help of one or two cookery books, to present me with as good a lunch as could be obtained anywhere. At least I thought and told her so.

A good business training makes a girl more independent and able to rise to any occasion.

I am not suggesting my wife reached a state of housewifery perfection straight away, but there were no mistakes like that of the newly-wed who, reading out of the cookery book, "Drop in two eggs" did so—shell and all. No, the burnt offerings and other manifestations of inexperience were the exception and not the rule.

The Fun of Experimenting

In any case, a young married couple in the thrill of an entirely new experience are quite willing to experiment a bit. In fact it can be good fun, provided the digestion does not suffer.

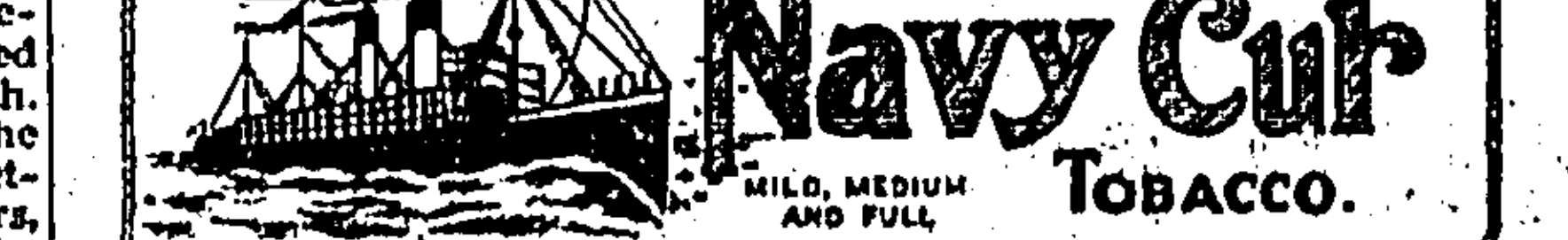
I am not one of these enlightened husbands who think there is nothing in running a house; I have learned more sense! It takes brains to run a house efficiently, and I know few men who would care for the job, even for a week. Helping to dry the dishes is a different matter.

Some girls may possess domestic training "ready made" as it were, and that is quite a good thing, but because she has a business training.

Such insight and help engenders a pleasant companionship which is the keynote of a really happy marriage. We'll each live our own lives! Is not the attitude which helps newly-weds to make a success of what is perhaps the most difficult task in life.

While I, like all other sensible husbands, have made my wife as secure as possible in the event of my sudden death, I have the comforting knowledge that she could at least earn her own living.

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You will be surprised to see how quickly a scrapbook can be filled; you will be surprised, too, to see how intriguing a book of this kind can become. Schoolwork will grow to be less and less of a trial, and your child will learn that most important of all lessons, that things are much more interesting than they seem.

J. G. I.

DRIED FRUITS

STEWING figs can be made as good as the most expensive "pulled" figs by steaming them gently for 15 to 20 minutes.

Unless you have a patent steamer suitable, put them in a basin or a jam jar and stand this in a pan of boiling water sufficient to come halfway up the sides. Cover both basin and pan.

Block dates can be treated in the same way if they are hard. Some people like hot dates with custard. Another way is to pull little pieces out of the block while it is still warm and roll them in desiccated coconut. The result is some delicious and nourishing sweets which will appeal to children and adults alike.

Steamed prunes are good too if you want them for dessert. Steep them for not more than six hours and steam them in the same way as figs or dates, though they will probably require a little longer.

"Tenderised" prunes that need no steeping can now be obtained. These are obviously the best sort for steaming since no nourishment at all is lost.

Currents, raisins, and sultanas for whatever purpose they are required are improved by being steamed for a short while first. They must, however, be dried thoroughly again before being used for a cake. The steaming increases their size and "fleshiness" and makes them softer and therefore easier to digest.

W. D.

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Miss Maude Clarke, of Belfast (right), the Irish Linen Queen, arrived later. She was delayed on her way by fog.

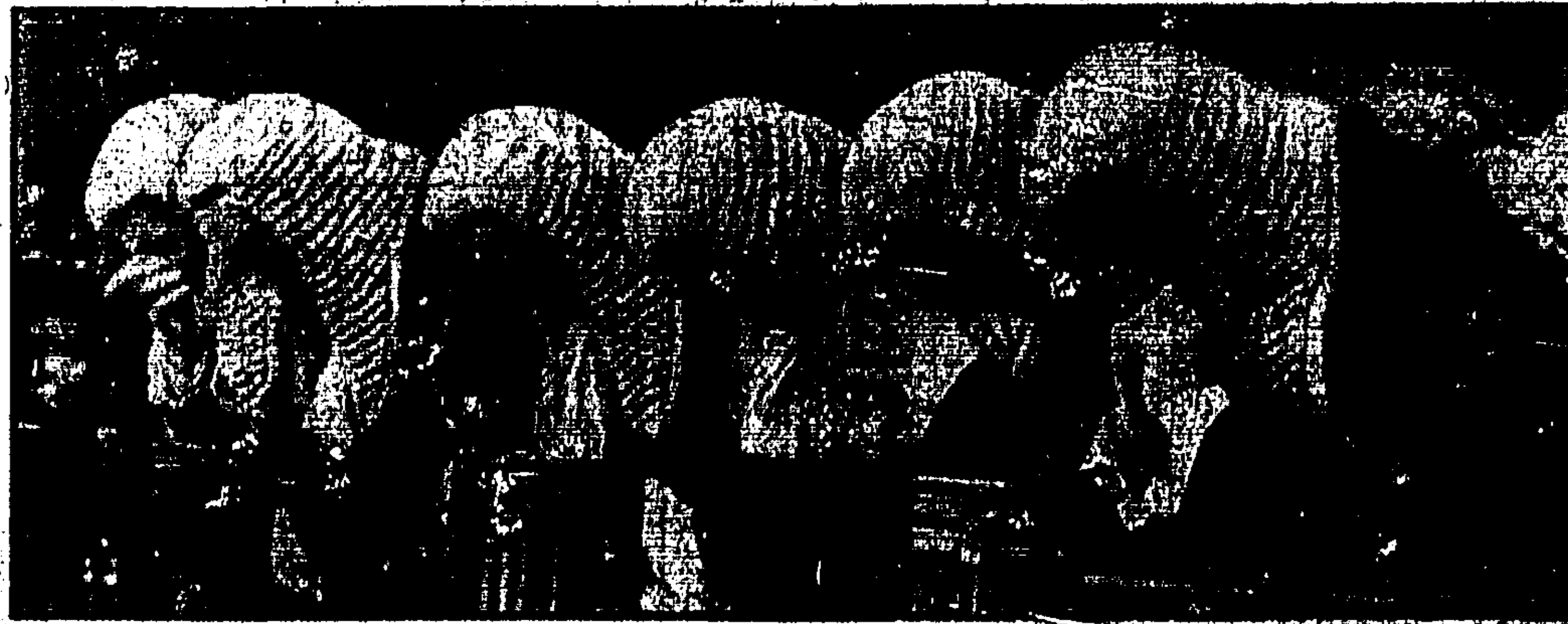


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The new legal year began at Home recently and before the Law Courts re-opened the judges attended service either at Westminster Abbey or Westminster Cathedral.

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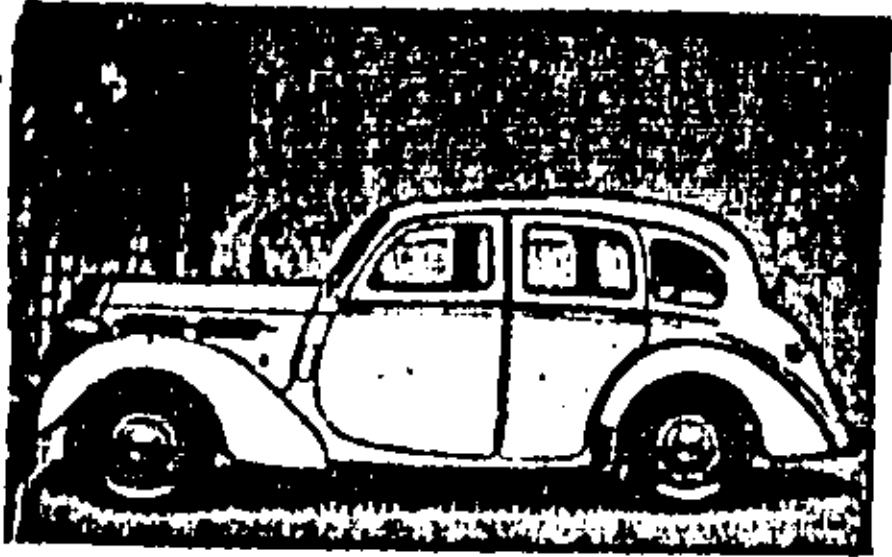
No Defence if Person Gave Consent

The Government Gazette publishes the draft of an Offences Against the Person Amendment Ordinance, 1939. The objects and reasons are as follows:

Sub-section (4) of section 45A of the Offences Against the Person Ordinance, No. 2 of 1905, as printed in Volume I of the Ordinances of Hongkong (1937 Edition), provided that it should be no defence to a charge under the section that the minor, whose transfer was the subject of a prohibited transaction, consented to it or received the whole or any part of its consideration. The substituted section 45A, enacted by Ordinance No. 16 of 1938, which no longer limited the offence to transactions concerning minors and which made it indictable, contained no provision relating to the consent of the person transferred or to his receipt of any part of the consideration.

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CALDEAS FALLS: ADVANCE ON GRANOLLERS IMMINENT

SALAMANCA, Jan. 29.
A WAR BULLETIN ISSUED BY THE INSURGENT HEAD QUARTERS ON SATURDAY NIGHT STATED THAT INSURGENT TROOPS IN CATALONIA WERE CONTINUING THEIR RAPID ADVANCE, AND HAD PUSHED FORWARD ON THE COAST ROAD AS FAR AS ARENYAS DEL MAR, ABOUT 24 MILES FROM BARCELONA.

After capturing the villages of Caldetas, Parets, Lliça de Vall, and Allola, the Insurgents succeeded late on Saturday afternoon in completely surrounding the town of Granollers.

Farther south, the Insurgents had advanced on an average six miles along the road from Manresa to Vich.

Workers To Strike As Arms Protest

Nearly 40,000 engineers in London planned to-day to strike on Thursday by forming a march down Downing Street with a deputation to urge arms shipments to the Loyalist Government of Spain.

MANY PRISONERS TAKEN

In the Pyrenean section, the Insurgents had also advanced six miles.

The number of prisoners was stated to be very large.

In the district of Mataro, a field hospital with 800 wounded Loyalist soldiers was discovered. The men had been left behind without any medical assistance for three days.



BUSMAN'S HOLIDAY.—Jack Tar, on shore leave, pays a visit to the "Sea Dragon" and seems to be intrigued by the old-fashioned rigging.—Jaffer.

Witness In Re-trial Of Tammany Leader Killed

WHITE PLAINS, New York, Jan. 29.

GEORGE WEINBERG, one of the chief witnesses in the forthcoming trial of Johnny Hines, notorious Tammany boss, who is charged with corruption and political intrigue, was found shot dead in the bathroom of a house rented as a hideaway to-day.

Weinberg apparently committed suicide.

The house had been rented by Mr. Thomas Dewey, United States attorney, who is prosecuting in the Hines trial, as a hideaway for Crown witnesses.

Weinberg was the prosecution's key witness.

He lunched to-day with Dixie Davis and Schoenhaut, two other important witnesses, and the three were preparing to take a drive in the country, when Weinberg seized a revolver, went upstairs, and a shot was heard.

He was found dead in the bathroom.—Reuter.

George Weinberg, former "business manager" for "Dutch" Schultz, the New York racketeer who was "bumped off" two years ago, accused Hines of accepting \$500 a week as a "political fixer" for the Schultz gang.

Weinberg caused a sensation in Court during the trial by adding: "I myself paid Hines \$500 in front of his (Hines') home."

In Barcelona, 6,000 wounded Loyalist soldiers were left behind by the retreating army.

Great quantities of war material, including clothing, had been found in the Catalan capital, where life was now resuming its normal aspect. The streets had been cleaned, electric trams were running, and all public services had been resumed.

LOYALIST COMMUNIQUE

From Gerona, the Loyalist Defence Ministry issued the following bulletin on Saturday night: "Catalan front: The Loyalists repulsed enemy attacks east of Solsona and Manresa. The enemy suffered heavy loss. Severe fighting is now going on in the Mataro district, where Loyalist troops are putting up a stubborn resistance. Estremadura front: Enemy attacks in the Monte Rubio and Santo Véguna sectors were repulsed, and two enemy aeroplanes shot down. There is nothing to report on the other fronts."

A report from Barcelona says that although absolutely precise information is lacking, it is believed that the Loyalist headquarters in Catalonia are now in the little town of Clot, situated to the north-east of Clot, 12 miles from the French frontier.

Some of the Loyalist Ministries are in Gerona and Figueras.

WARSHIPS ARRIVE

Referring to conditions in Barcelona, the report says that on Saturday a fleet of fishing boats entered the deserted port, which has been cleared of mines. The work of blowing up the wrecks of some 50 sunken ships, which obstruct traffic in the port, will shortly begin.

Insurgent warships, escorted by a squadron of aeroplanes, steamed into port on Saturday afternoon, and were welcomed by a salute from the land batteries.

The city was lighted on Saturday night by electricity for the first time for several days.—Trans-Ocean.

OFFENSIVE IN RAIN

Barcelona, Jan. 29.
The Insurgents continued their offensive on all sectors of the Catalan front to-day, in spite of heavy rain.

The Urgel army corps is now approaching the important town of Berga. The Loyalists are offering little resistance, but the Insurgent operations are considerably impeded by the fact that the region in which they are now operating offers serious natural obstacles, since it consists of snow-covered mountains, with but few roads which are in poor condition.

In the central sector, the Insurgents occupied the town of Moya, at the junction of the roads to Manresa and Vich.

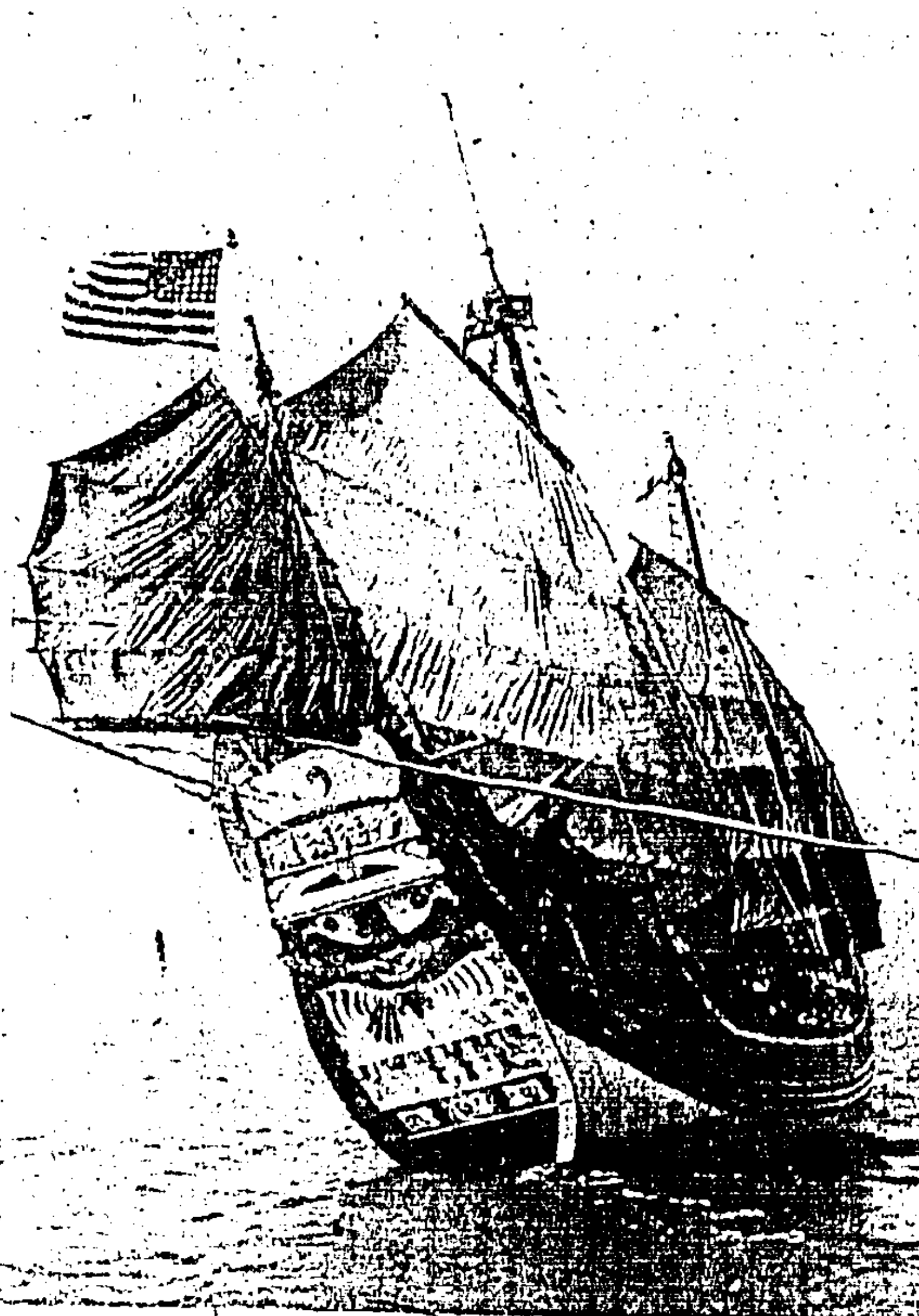
General Yague's army corps likewise continued its advance along the coast to-day, but exact information regarding the positions reached by the Insurgents is not yet available.

Insurgent estimates of Loyalist losses since the opening of the Catalan offensive at about 100,000. This number includes 67,400 prisoners.

Insurgent bombers to-day raided the town of Alcoy in the province of Alicante, dropping numerous bombs on military objectives, and 12

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"Sea-Dragon" Has Test Run Before Trip To America



A PRETTY PICTURE.—The "Sea Dragon" presents a pretty picture as she tacks in the wind outside Hongkong harbour, with her picturesque and colourful stern in full view. A Phoenix, the bird of happy omen in China, and Chinese characters reading "Sea Dragon—Hongkong," are clearly discernible. The smaller inscription below "prays for good winds to speed them on their journey."—Jaffer.

Chilean Earthquake

LOOTERS DESCEND ON WRECKED TOWNS

SANTIAGO, Chile, Jan. 29.

THE TOWN OF COELEMU has been entirely destroyed by the recent earthquake, according to a statement issued by the Minister for the Interior, Senor Pedro Alfonso on Saturday night.

Nearly 400 children are known to be dead.

The towns of Pocillas and Quirihue were also completely destroyed.

Criminal elements of the population have taken advantage of the conditions prevailing in the rural areas in consequence of the catastrophe, and have looted houses deserted by their owners.

Numerous looters have been arrested in Concepcion, Chillan and San Carlos, and exemplary punishment will be meted out to the culprits under martial law.

A number of smaller quake shocks were reported to have occurred on Saturday in Cauquenes.

The commandant of the garrison at Chillan estimates that the number killed in that town is 10,000.—Trans-Ocean.

MIRACULOUS ESCAPE

Santiago, Jan. 29.
While workers were removing debris left by Tuesday's earthquake of the wrecked Chillan municipal theatre to-day, they were stunned to find two living persons—husband and wife—still seated in the orchestra stalls.

They had been miraculously saved by a supporting beam, which however, had completely imprisoned them.

Being without food and water for four days, they were in a dangerously weak condition when rescued and were still dazed by the shock of the disaster.—United Press.

DRASTIC TREATMENT FOR LOOTERS

Santiago, Jan. 29.
Military men are drastically handling isolated cases of looting which have been reported.

Proletarianism is being suppressed. Monsignor Campillo, archbishop of Santiago, has ordered Catholic schools and houses of retreat to be handed over for homeless children, and has informed the Government

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NO U.S. RECOGNITION FOR FRANCO

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT is not prepared to grant *de facto* recognition of General Franco at the present, despite growing pressure from Rome and also from Latin-American sources, according to diplomatic observers.

Nevertheless, Spanish developments will have an important bearing during the coming week in Congressional consideration of the President's national defence programme.

First formal presentation of the question of recognition has come from Representative John McCord, a Democrat from Massachusetts, who, in a letter to Mr. Cordell Hull, urged immediate recognition, asserting that the Franco regime is "accepted by 20,000,000 out of 24,000,000 people in Spain."

The Administration spokesmen and Congressional leaders professed unwillingness to discuss the matter, some on the grounds that Franco's victory at Barcelona did not complete the subjugation of the Loyalists, and others on the grounds that the matter was too delicate to debate publicly.

Well-informed sources state that Catholic elements have been quietly applying pressure on the Government for recognition, although they have made no formal declaration.—United Press.

Mr. W. O'Neill, Manager of Reuter's Agency in Hongkong, left to-day on extended tour.

Chamberlain's Speech

BRITISH POLICY TOWARDS NAZIS STIFFENING?

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.

RESPONSIBLE CIRCLES regard Mr. Chamberlain's Birmingham speech as the first major sign of the long-awaited stiffening of political policy towards the Totalitarian countries.

It is noted that whereas Mr. Chamberlain previously suggested waiting for an appeasement "sign" from the other nations, he explicitly commented in Birmingham that it was time other countries made their contribution.

Although official comment is lacking, the impression prevails that officials are pleased that Mr. Chamberlain's position primarily conformed with President Roosevelt's recent indication that the Democracies intend to resist efforts to employ force throughout the world.—United Press.

APPEAL GETS CURT RECEPTION

Berlin, Jan. 29.
The appeal for peace addressed to the leaders and people of Germany by a number of leading personalities in England, has been curtly received in Germany, and the newspapers level criticism at it.

The "Völkischer Beobachter" today protests against the assertion that Germany is responsible for the present international political situation, and claims that Hitler's efforts to secure a reduction of armaments were opposed by the British Government.

If the signatories of the appeal regard armaments as the main cause of unrest in the world, they should, declares the paper, address them—(Continued on Page 4.)

LATEST

Arrest Of U.S. Lady Doctor

Tientsin, Jan. 30.

Dr. Mary Milting, Superintendent of the Peiyang Women's Hospital for many years, who was arrested by the Japanese police in Tientsin because she refused to let her doctors and nurses leave their patients to join a parade in the city, was released yesterday afternoon.

She declined to make any comment upon her detention which lasted for ten days.

Dr. Milting received the degree at the University of Michigan and was prominent in social work in Tientsin. She has many friends in the United States.—Reuter.

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Soviet Troops Massing

TOKYO, Jan. 30.

SOVIET TROOPS in large numbers are concentrating near Omsk and Tomsk, in central Siberia, according to reliable information received in Hsinking. Japanese military experts believe that the new Soviet military movements are in preparation for immediate mobilization in the event of war breaking out on Russia's two fronts in the East and West.—Domel.

H.K. FAILURE AT BISLEY F.M.S. and Straits Too Good

HONGKONG RIFLEMEN made only a mediocre showing at the Bisley meeting last year, according to an announcement cabled by "Reuter."

The Colony's representatives secured fourth place in the aperture-sight section of the Far East Trophy match for 1938, scoring 710, as compared with Federated Malay States winning aggregate of 787.

Straits Settlements were placed second in this event, with a score of 759, while Ceylon came third with 724.

Hongkong were third in the open-sight section of the same match. The score was 641, as compared with 704 aggregated by the winners, Straits Settlements, Federated Malay States were fourth with 679, Ceylon being fifth with 641, and Ceylon sixth with 619.

EMPIRE NEWS

BY-ELECTION TEST IN SOUTH AFRICA

Johannesburg.
The Government is facing a stern test in the Parliamentary by-elections at Bethal and Pretoria where vacancies have just occurred.

Although the United Party won both seats at this year's general election, the Nationalists polled well. Their strength has been consolidated since then by the wave of emotionism created by the Voortrekker Centenary.

Bethal and Pretoria City should show to what extent the Voortrekker celebrations have affected the Afrikaans-speaking people in their political allegiance. The elections are also important in view of the widespread growth of anti-Semitism in recent months.

Zulu King's Graves.—The Historical Monuments Commission has agreed to mark the graves of seven well-known Zulu kings, including Dinuzulu.

Mixed Marriages.—A petition urging the prohibition of mixed marriages and the residence of Europeans and non-Europeans in the same area will be circulated throughout the Union as soon as the December political truce is over. The preparation of the petition was decided on at the recent congress of the Nationalist Party.

Durban Improvement Scheme.—The suggestion has been made that the Bluff at Durban should be connected by a bridge across the harbour mouth or by a tunnel under the harbour.

AUSTRALIA

JAPANESE AIR EXPANSION

Sydney.
The new Japanese air service from Tokyo to the Pacific Islands, east of the Philippines, will bring a Japanese air base within 1,500 miles of Darwin and Port Moresby, Papua. This will mean that the Australian mainland and New Guinea will be within bombing range of a Japanese air terminal.

Experts are pointing out that this expansion emphasises the necessity for Australia to begin the defence of New Guinea, and to station air squadrons or build naval bases in the islands.

Gold Production.—The value of gold produced in Australia for 1938 will be approximately £1,500,000, greater than last year. Production was buoyant in all States except Victoria, where there was a decrease in yield of 5,000ozs. Queensland had now taken second place of Western Australia in gold production.

NEW ZEALAND

HOSPITAL BENEFITS UNDER NEW ACT

Auckland.
Mr. P. Fraser, Minister for Industry, says he cannot indicate the present date when hospital benefits under the new Social Security Act will come into force. A clause in the Act allows the Minister to determine the date when the arrangements are to be complete.

Mr. Fraser states that further discussions will take place with the doctors during January.



LOCAL ARTISTES. These photographs, taken by Jaffer, are of local artistes who assisted in the Grand Services Concert recently which was held in aid of the dependants of the late Lance Sergeant Thompson, R.A.

UPPER LEFT. D.Q.M.S. Dicks was popular as a singing comedian.

UPPER RIGHT. A sassy moment in a comedy sketch presented by Dodger Green and Co.

RIGHT. G. Malny photographed giving an impersonation of Jimmy Durante.

EXTREME RIGHT. Gus D'Aquino who sang at the concert.

Horse Racing Commission.—Mr. W. E. Parry, Minister of the Interior, announces the appointment of a Royal Commission shortly to investigate horse racing, with particular reference to a revision of the Gaming Act to meet changing conditions.

INDIA

AFGHAN MISSION AT NEW DELHI

Calcutta.
Afghanistan's Trade Mission to India has created a favourable impression in New Delhi. The mission is accompanied by Sardar Ullaha, Director-General of Political Affairs in the Afghanistan Foreign Office. In an interview with the "Statesman," the Sardar declared that Afghanistan is anxious to maintain and foster her friendly relations and to strengthen the existing commercial ties with her neighbours, and particularly with India and Great Britain.



SECRET BRIDE, 22, IS A WIDOW

AINSWORTH, near Bolton, Lancashire.

AS the body of Mr. Alexander McKinlay Smyth, nephew of a wealthy Scottish racehorse owner, was being cremated, with that of his mother, at Glasgow to-day, his 22-years-old widow, Mrs. Joan Isobel Smyth, told of their secret Gretna Green wedding nearly three years ago.

Mrs. Smyth, daughter of Mr. J. W. Smith, clerk to Bury County magistrates, talked of the happiness that ended when her 22-years-old husband, a medical student at Glasgow University, was found accidentally shot dead in his uncle's office in Glasgow.

Her mother-in-law, Mrs. Nellie McKinlay Smyth, died, broken-hearted, three days after her son.

Mrs. Smyth, sitting in the 17th-century dining-room of Ainsworth Hall, her parents' home, here, talked of her runaway wedding at Gretna Green.

LEFT LUXURY FLAT

Because of her delicate state of health—she is expecting a baby in June—she came to stay with her mother here, leaving her husband at their luxury flat in Dundonald-road, Glasgow.

Mrs. Smyth, prominent hunting woman and racecourse fashion leader in the north, recalled her first meeting with her husband at Ayr racecourse when they were 18.

"He visited my parents' home when we were 18," she said. "While he was staying here in the New Year of 1935 we decided to get married secretly. We went to Gretna Green on January 3 and were married over the anvil by Mr. Rennie.

"We returned to my home the same night. Alec went home to Scotland and told his people that we were married. It was not until several weeks afterwards that my parents knew.

"The marriage was regularised before the sheriff at Dunfermline two months later. My mother and Alec's mother were witnesses.

"We decided to live apart for a time, so that Alec could continue his studies at the university.

"Our parents decided to keep the marriage a secret, but Alec and I saw each other at intervals and spent our holidays together. Then, on September 17 this year, at Alec's

Explosion Wrecks London House

London.
Mr. J. G. Peters, a Poplar Council workman, small gas whilst doing road repairs in Perry's Close, East India Dock Road, Poplar East, and notified the authorities. About half-an-hour after, there was an explosion, causing the roof of a house to shoot up in the air, and windows in adjoining houses to be smashed.

Three people have been detained in hospital: Arthur Hill, Mrs. Emily Marshall and her grandson Brian.

Three others were allowed to go home after treatment—they are Joseph and Thomas Hindmarsh, aged 7 and 8 respectively, and Daisy White, aged 10.

Joke On Purse-Snatcher

Cleveland, O.
Mrs. J. J. Wilson lost her purse to a young man in fashionable suburban Cleveland Heights, but the joke was on him. The purse happened to contain only 11 cents.

Shipping Chief Fell To Death

Mr. Charles Booth, chairman of the Booth Steamship Co., crashed 80ft. to death recently from his cousin's house in Chester-street, Belgrave.

A cup of tea was taken to his room in the morning, and it is believed that he slipped and overbalanced while opening the window.

Clad only in pyjama trousers and singlet, he was found lying half in the gutter and half on the kerb by Mr. H. B. Hamstead, a labourer, on his way to start work at the new Iron Trades House, at the corner of Chester-street and Grosvenor-place.

"He must have fallen just before I arrived," Mr. Hamstead said. "A man and a woman ran out of the house and asked, 'What has happened?' I replied, 'Someone's come out of the window. Then she said, 'He was depressed last night.'"

Mr. Booth lived at Mossley Hill-drive, Liverpool, and he arrived in London only on the Thursday to stay with his cousin. He leaves a widow and five children.

Mr. Tom Booth, his youngest son, said: "My father suffered with his eyes for some years and was blind in one. An operation performed on this eye some months ago was not successful. He did not seem to worry about it and appeared to manage well.

"I do not know whether there was any danger of his losing the sight of the other eye, but so far as I know he had no other worries."

Chairman of Alfred Booth and Co., Ltd., of Liverpool, a member of the Cheshire Lines Committee, and of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board, he also served on the boards of Booth and Co. (London), Martins Bank Ltd., and the L.M.S. Railway.

Fish Out Of Water

London.
Andromeda, a goldfish, is apparently little affected by being out of water. The fish was found on a bitterly cold day by a builder of St. Leonard's on Sea, Mr. G. Dubois, on the dry bottom of a tank which had been split by the frost, in an empty house. A week later Mr. Dubois found the goldfish had turned silver and was stiff. He picked it up to throw it away, thinking it was dead, but it wagged its tail. Mr. Dubois took it home, and now it is flourishing and has turned gold again.

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ACROSS

1—Agreement

11—Union in kingdoms

12—Write on skin

14—Stared dreamily

15—Local with

17—Not fresh

18—Indian tribe

19—Silfur

22—Cut (French pl.)

23—Olive name

24—Make mistakes

25—Thru

27—Riffle; one who

28—Somewhat lengthy

31—Enitium

32—Devout

33—Olive name

34—Hebrew month

35—Art reviewers

36—Go together

37—Zauzau coin

38—Till

39—Delicacy

40—Nile deer

41—Precursor

42—Exotic

43—Was interested

44—Remorse

45—Taleless mountain

DOWN

1—Harmonize

2—Tallor

3—Dull

4—Greek letter

5—Backs of insects

6—Unit

7—Width of M

8—Greatest number

9—Foot of cliff

10—Bills

11—Lost

12—Ancient Egyptian city

13—Doctor of teeth

14—Unit of work

15—Makin' ready

16—Alexander

17—Thru here

18—Handle

19—Tough

20—Unit of current

21—Unbleached wool

22—Abrice

23—Afternoon repast

24—Coincides

25—Dewine device

26—Sinks through

27—Skin

28—Pron

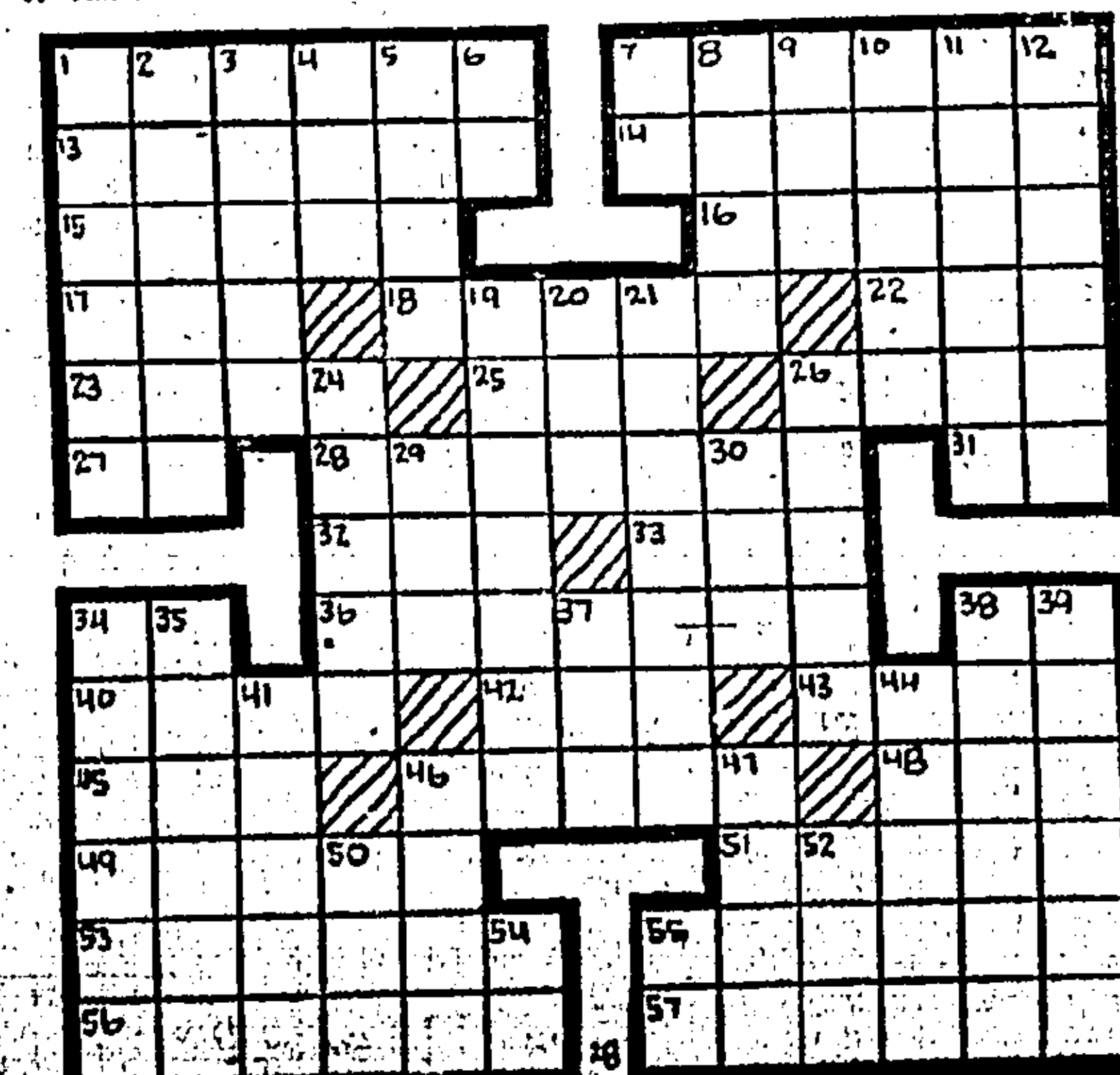
29—Look over

30—Wave

31—Curve

32—Wings of building

33—One hundred one



INSURANCE COMPANY ALLEGES FRAUD

Supreme Court Case of \$30,000 Claim Opens

ONE MONTH SET ASIDE FOR HEARING

OVER A MONTH has been reserved for the hearing of a claim against an insurance company which commenced before Sir Atholl MacGregor, Chief Justice, at the Supreme Court this morning.

The Cheong Shing Hong, commission agents, No. 31, Bonham Strand West, claimed \$30,006.23 from the China Underwriters Ltd., No. 4A, Des Voeux Road, in respect of policies covering goods destroyed by fire a year ago.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H. C. Macnamara, were instructed by Mr. E. Davidson of Hastings & Co. for the plaintiffs. The Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada and Mr. D. J. N. Anderson were instructed by Mr. O. E. C. Marton of Messrs. Deacons for the defendants.

In their statement of claim plaintiffs set out that they had three several policies of insurance for \$15,000, \$10,000 and \$15,000 made by the defendants in consideration of which premiums were paid. By these policies, defendants insured plaintiffs against loss or damage by fire of merchandise stored in the Cheong Shing Hong Godown at No. 103, Connaught Road West.

Plaintiffs had five other policies with other companies in respect of these goods to the amount of \$110,000 making a total of \$150,000. The goods were destroyed by fire on January 7, 1938 and the loss sustained by plaintiffs was \$115,890.36. Plaintiffs claimed \$30,006.23, being the rateable proportion of the loss to be borne by defendants.

ALLEGED FRAUDULENT CLAIM

In the statement of defence, defendants said the policies were subject to the following conditions: "If the claim be in any respect fraudulent or if any false declaration be made or used in support thereof, or if any fraudulent means or devices are used by the insured or anyone acting on his behalf to obtain any benefit under this policy, all benefits under this policy shall be forfeited." They alleged that the plaintiffs in their original claim on January 10 made a fraudulent declaration of loss particulars of which were given, and until they obtained inspection of the plaintiffs' documents, they could not say whether the particulars were complete. Details were given of items claimed at prices higher than the market prices.

Mr. Potter, in his opening, said his clients were a partnership started in 1906 and engaged in importing marine goods from the Yu Ching Hong in Kobe. The manager of the plaintiff firm in Hongkong was Mr. Wong Yung-tong, a director of the Bank of East Asia and a man of some position in Chinese financial circles. It was admitted that the fire was an accidental one and that goods of the plaintiff were in the godown on the value, by defendants' own estimation, of between \$70,000 and \$80,000. This was a debt owing to the insured company but payment was now denied them on the grounds that they had deliberately forged the Weight and Price Book to get greater value for the goods from the insurance company. There had been other charges but they had been dropped. The case must be unique in insurance claims since of the 137 items put in, 127

had been marked off by the assessors as fraudulent. Apart from the fact that the so-called fraud consisted of book mistakes, patently obvious as such from an examination of books and invoices in the possession of the assessors, it would be ridiculous, Counsel suggested, to believe that his client would risk losing the \$70,000 of which he was assured, by 127 fraudulent alterations in order to get another \$30,000 when one fraud alone was sufficient to nullify all claims. The plaintiffs had fifteen days in which to prepare their claim but since the representative of Neilson & Malcolm, the Insurance Company's assessors was anxious to get back to Canton, the claim was prepared and handed in in three days, this haste no doubt contributing to the errors made in it.

"DANGEROUS PRECEDENT"

Counsel described the books of the firm and said the Weight and Price book which was alleged to have been forged, was merely a permanent record of the invoices of the goods as they were received from Japan. The book contained many errors and alterations but these could at once be detected by comparison with the original invoices which were handed to the assessors four days after the fire. The items complained of should have been called improper claims and corrected as such but they should never have been described as fraudulent. In their zeal for discovering the "fraud" the assessors had picked on 127 items necessitating great expense, research and scrutiny on the plaintiffs part to combat the allegations. Such a precedent was dangerous for if insurance companies thus lightly alleged fraud, in many items one of which if proved, would invalidate the claim, a claimant might feel that he could not bear the expense of going to court to contest each item. It would be seen from the translated accounts that many of the items claimed were so patently mistakes that could be corrected, that fraud should never have been suggested. Yet even on these, plaintiffs were put to the burden of proof and the court would have to investigate each of these items.

Counsel said the point of charging goods could not be sustained as fraud. When ordered by the Judge in Chambers to give what they thought was the market price, defendants had had to resort to plaintiffs' books to get the information. There was no such thing as a market price for the particular goods here since they were imported by only one or two firms.

Counsel then went over several of the contested items and said but bookkeeping on his clients' part were several times met with mistakes by the defendants' side and items which were at first agreed to be non-existent had had to be restored to the claim.

The hearing is proceeding.

Brazil-U.S. To Have Secret Talks

RIO JANEIRO, Jan. 29.

THE Foreign Minister, Sen. Aranha has gone to the United States on the invitation of President Roosevelt to discuss means for establishing closer relations between the two countries.

Strict secrecy is being preserved about the subject of the talks, but it is understood that trade arrangements will be given prominence, and an attempt will be made to reach an agreement enabling Brazil to buy more from the United States.—Reuter Special.

ANY FARTHING IN H.K.?

Girl Collector In England Sends Out Appeal

JOAN CALEY, who set out at six years of age to collect 100,000 farthings before her sixteenth birthday, has extended her appeal to Hongkong.

She decided to make the collection in order to repay the kindness of the Paddington Green Children's Hospital, which saved her life.

She will be sixteen years of age in March. Already she has collected 94,483 farthings from various parts of the Empire. Side by side, the coins would stretch more than a mile.

But Joan, who lives at 23 Yew Avenue, Yewstrey, Middlesex, is getting anxious. In a letter to a friend in Hongkong, she asks whether it would be possible to collect any farthings in this Colony. She still needs over 5,000 farthings to fulfil what she considers her debt to the hospital.

She was made a Life Governor of the hospital when she was twelve.

His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Imperial Service Medal to Mr. Sung Teng-man, lately Accountant of the Medical Department, Hongkong.

\$78,000 Grants To Refugee Organisations

GRANTS FOR \$78,000 were made to various refugee organisations at a meeting of the Board of Administrators of the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China (Hongkong and South China Branch), held in the Council Chamber last Friday.

The money has been granted as follows:—

- \$10,000 to the Tung Wah Hospital for Shum Chun Refugee Camp.
- \$3,000 to the National Association for the Care of War Orphans, Hongkong Branch.
- \$60,000 to the Emergency Refugee Council.
- \$5,000 to the Shum Chun Rural Welfare Centre.

Among those present at the meeting were the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith (Chairman), Hon. Sir Robert Kettlewell (Deputy Chairman), Hon. Mr. W. J. Carric, Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Sir Vondelour Grayburn, Hon. Li Shu-fan, Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., Rt. Rev. H. Valloria, Mr. M. K. Lo (Secretary). Father Ryan attended by invitation.

It was revealed during the meeting that on the application of the Chinese Sub-Committee of the Fund, the Hongkong Football Association had kindly agreed to arrange a football match between the S.C.A.A. and the Rest of the Colony, to be played on February 26, in aid of the Fund. The Chinese Sub-Committee of the Fund are organising a Chinese Bazaar in aid of the Fund during the Chinese New Year holidays. This Bazaar will be held at King's College.

During the meeting, it was decided to grant \$10,000 to the Tung Wah Hospital for initial expenses in connection with their Shum Chun Refugee Camp.

Another \$3,000 has been granted to the National Association for the Care of War Orphans, Hongkong Branch, on the basis of \$500 a month for six months, in aid of that Association in looking after orphan children.

A grant of \$60,000 will be given to the Emergency Refugee Council in respect of their refugee work for the first six months of 1939. The granting of this amount was decided at the meeting after a note had been taken of the audited accounts of income and expenditure of the Emergency Refugee Council.

After considering the appeal from the Shum Chun Rural Welfare Centre, the meeting decided to grant \$5,000 in connection with their project to aid Chinese refugees farmers in Shum Chun and surrounding territories.

Mr. J. H. Seth has kindly intimated that his firm is prepared to act as Hon. Auditors of the Fund.

Manchukuo Foreign Trade Unfavourable

Hsinking, Jan. 30. Manchukuo's foreign trade for the second ten days of January resulted in an adverse balance of 21,220,000 yuan, official figures released here indicate.

During the period under review, Manchukuo exported 13,863,000 yen to Japan and imported 29,227,000 yen from Japan. Manchukuo's trade with China in the same period included 3,507,000 yuan of exports and 2,047,000 yuan of imports.

The country's trade with other foreign countries consisted of 7,120,000 yuan of exports and 14,452,000 yuan of imports.—Domel.

Cabinet Re-Shuffle

Paris, Jan. 26. The British Cabinet reshuffle has aroused considerable interest here, particularly the appointment of Lord Chatfield, whose mission, says the "Excelsior" will be to "prepare the way for new sacrifices to be asked from the country, and acceleration of the re-armament programme in all its spheres."—Reuter.

Governor Visits Exhibition

Ancient Paintings At S.C.M. Post

HIS Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote, accompanied by Capt. S. H. Batty Smith, were interested visitors to the exhibition of ancient Chinese paintings at the South China Morning Post Board Room to-day. The exhibition is arranged by the Hongkong Working Artists Guild, and the pictures, which are being shown, are to be exhibited in London in the near future.

The delicate work of the Old Chinese masters of the Yuan, Ching, Tang and Sung Dynasties, were praised by His Excellency, who was especially interested in a painting of the Ta Tung Palace by General Li Shu-hsun in the Tang Dynasty.

The collection, which was that of the late Mr. Tse Tsan-lai, included finger paintings of the Imperial collection of A.D. 581-617—"Fishing," "Agriculture," "Agiculture," and "Education" by Chan Tsu-chien.

New Staff Officer For H.K. Arrives

Col. A. G. Neville, M.C., new G.S.O.I. of the China Command arrived in Hongkong on Saturday by Imperial Airways to take over from Col. N. M. S. Irwin.

Col. Irwin, who has finished his term of service on the China Command, will leave by the steamship Sarpodon on February 8 and will take over command of the 10th Brigade in the United Kingdom.

The new G.S.O.I. comes from the post of military assistant to the Chief of the Imperial General Staff.

LIAISON OFFICER

By the same plane Col. H. G. Eady, M.C., arrived from London on a visit. He is acting as liaison officer for the War Office.

Army Medical Stores Theft

Sergeant A. Smith, R.A. Dental Corps, reports that somebody stole articles valued at \$52 from the Military Dressing Shed in Chatham Road on January 26.

Leut. N. of Lower Lascar Row, has reported to the Police that some person stole 12 dozen gross of sewing needles from him yesterday afternoon. The needles were valued at \$163.

While standing in Shanghai Street yesterday, Lal Hoi, of Oak Street, was robbed of \$150 in money.

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*BEHAR	6,000	11th Feb.	M'celles, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'dam & A'werp.
RANCHI	17,000	18th Feb.	Marseilles & London.
*SOUDAN	7,000	25th Feb.	B'bay, M'celles, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'dam & A'werp.
RANPURA	17,000	4th Mar.	Marseilles & London.
*RANWALPINDI	17,000	18th Mar.	Marseilles & London.
*BURDWAN	6,000	25th Mar.	B'bay, M'celles, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'dam & A'werp.
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	7,000	1st Apr.	

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RANPURA	17,000	3rd Feb., Noon.	Shanghai & Japan.
TALMA	7,000	3rd Feb.	Shanghai & Japan.
RANWALPINDI	17,000	10th Feb.	Shanghai & Japan.
*BURDWAN	17,000	17th Feb.	Shanghai & Japan.
SIRDHANA	6,000	18th Feb.	Shanghai & Japan.
CANTON	10,000	2nd Mar.	Japan.
	10,000	3rd Mar.	Shanghai & Japan.

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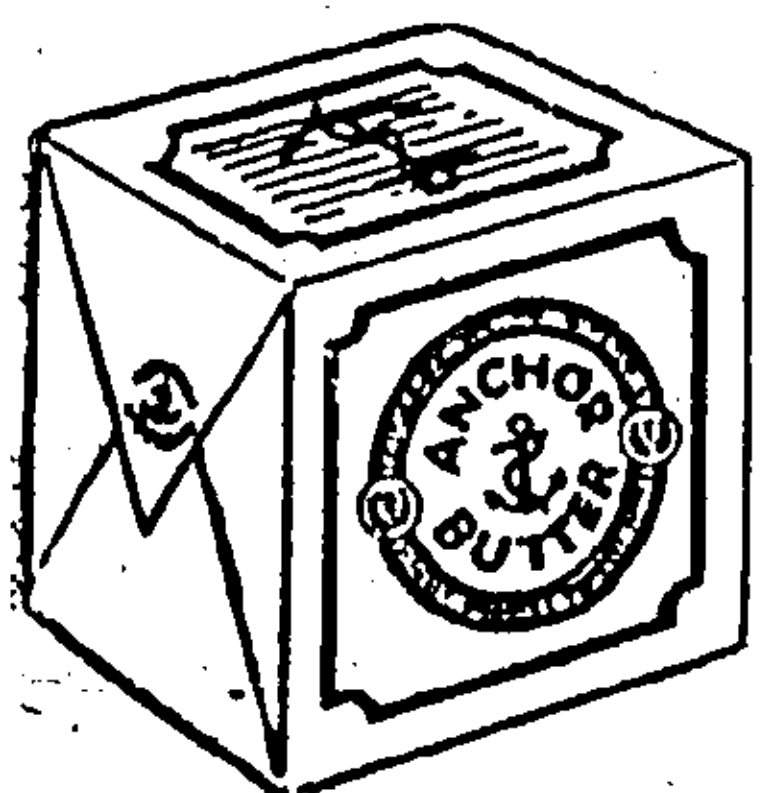
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H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS	
H.K. Bank	1370 1/2
H.K. Bank (old)	82 1/2
Chartered Bank	8 1/2
Mercantile, A. & B. E.	27 1/2
Mercantile, C. E.	13 1/2
East Asia	88 1/2
INSURANCES	
Canton	220 1/2
Union	460 1/2
China Underwriters	45 1/2
H.K. Fire	170 1/2
SHIPPING	
Douglas	62 1/2
Steamboats	15 1/2
Ino-Chinns	60 1/2
Indo-Chinns	24 1/2
Shell Bearer	76 3/4
Waterboats	9 1/2
DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves	110 1/2
Docks (old)	10 1/2
Docks (new)	5 1/2
Providents (new)	5 1/2
New Eng. Sh.	6 1/2
Shn. Docks	100 1/2
MINING	
Kailan	15 1/2
Raub	9 1/2
Venz. Goldfield	7 1/2
Hongkong Mines	44 1/2
Atok	34 1/2
Bangio Gold	26 1/2
Benguet Cons.	13 1/2
Coco Grove	47 1/2
Con Mines	60 1/2
Demonstration	22 1/2
I.L.L. Co.	11 1/2
Gumau	11 1/2
San Mauricio	11 1/2
Suyoc Cons.	21 1/2
Paracales	60 1/2
LANDS	
Hotels	6 1/2
Lands	30 1/2
Lands 4 1/2	107 1/2
Shui Lands	8 1/2
Humphreys	8 1/2
H.K. Realities	5 1/2
Chinese Estates	80 1/2
UTILITIES	
Trams	17 1/2
Peak Trams (old)	8 1/2
Peak Trams (new)	7 1/2
Star Ferries	72 1/2
Y. Ferries (old)	22 1/2
Y. Ferries (new)	22 1/2
China Light (cum. rts)	9 1/2
China Light (ex. rts)	9 1/2
H. K. Electric	60 1/2
Manco Electric	17 1/2
Sandakan Light	10 1/2
Telephones (old)	23 1/2
Telephone (new)	8 1/2
Traction	23 1/2
Traction (Pref.)	24 1/2
INDUSTRIAL	
Cald. Macg. (ord.)	14 1/2
Cald. Macg. (Pre.)	13 1/2
Canton Ice	14 1/2
Cement	15 1/2
Ropes	3 1/2
STORES, &c.	
Dairy Farms	23 1/2
Watsons	7 1/2
Lane Crawford	8 1/2
Sinceres	13 1/2
Wing On (H.K.)	30 1/2

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THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED

Notice to Shareholders

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday, the 24th February, 1939, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 17th February, 1939, to Friday, the 24th February, 1939, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1939.

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING OF HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 17th day of February, 1939, at 12 o'clock noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS OF the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 3rd to FRIDAY, the 17th February, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1939.

ROTARY CLUB

The speaker at to-morrow's weekly meeting of the Hongkong Rotary Club will be Mr. J. B. Forrest, and his subject "The Judgment of Character from Handwriting."

Powell, L.M.I. cotns. 90 n.

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MANILA SHARES

The following quotations were received after the close of the morning session through Reuters:

Antamok 44 1/2

Atok 24 1/2

Bangio Gold 26 1/2

Benguet Cons. 13 1/2

Coco Grove 47 1/2

Consolidated Mines 20 1/2

Demonstration 22 1/2

I.L.L. 11 1/2

Paracales 60 1/2

San Mauricio 11 1/2

Suyoc 21 1/2

United Ferries 22 1/2

The following is Swan, Culbertson & Fritz' report on this morning's market:

The Manila market held a slightly easier session with stocks being unchanged to down 10 centavos. Benguet Consolidated showed a loss of 10 centavos, while Atok, I.L.L., Consolidated Mines and Paracales Gumau were unchanged. Saturday's volume in Pesos was 44,000.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

By a Royal warrant received at Woolwich it is ordered that the Commissariat and Transport Staff shall be designated "the Army Service Corps."

The body of an unknown woman was found yesterday morning in the streets of a popular suburb of London. At the Coroner's inquest to-day, physicians declared that the woman had been murdered by strangulation. A mark on the neck showed a small cord had been tied tightly around it. She was of low character. When the body was found it was still warm and was lying in an open thoroughfare. There is no possibility that the woman could have taken her own life and possibly it is another White-chapel case.

The "Star" publishes interviews with physicians who had given testimony at the Coroner's inquest in the cases of the previous East End murders. The conclusion that the recent popular strangling was the work of the White-chapel fiend—this was the famous "Jack the Ripper"—Ed.

News from Panama says that Do Lope's today telegraphed that the continuation of work on the Panama canal was assured.—Do Lope's, builder of the Suez, was forced to close his Panama project because countless lives had been claimed by the ubiquitous mosquito, whose malarial qualities were then unknown.—Ed.

25 YEARS AGO

Last night Lady May was "at home" to the members of the Young Women's Christian Association, and the occasion was marked by the attendance of some 125 ladies. During the course of the evening the Secretary, Mrs. G. T. Edkins, read a letter which had been received from Ellis Kadoorie and Lady May's answer.

In the strength of these letters a vote was formally put to the gathering that the name Y.W.C.A. be changed to that of the "Women's Institute" and to that of the "Women's Institute" later to take the name of the "Helena Institute for Women." The motion was unanimously carried.

Mr. Kadoorie's letter promised to give a sum of \$10,000, but his secretary, \$20,000, to the Women's Institute, provided the public raise a like sum.

While Mr. Lloyd George's demand for the reduction of our defences has caused surprise and resentment in France, it has aroused the usual scorn in Germany.

The Post which is quoted by the Telegraph correspondent, states:—"After Mr. Churchill we now have Mr. Lloyd George, too. But it is positively a ridiculous exaggeration to talk of his more friendly relations to Germany. The relationships between England and Germany are at the moment not bad, but that is really all that can be said. It is a big mouthful as possible must be again taken."

The Berliner Neueste Nachrichten says:—"Like two moths round the light, the English Ministers, Churchill and Lloyd George, flutter continually about the hot disarmament lamp. They have already more than once burnt their fingers, but it is nothing—ever and again the seductive glow draws them into its fatal circle. It seems that Mr. Lloyd George's words are the promise to fresh disarmament comedy of England."

Arrangements have now been got in hand for the early commencement of the annual session of the Chinese Central Station at Kowloon Point. The foundations have been down for some considerable time and we understand that the contract for the erection of the building has been practically fixed up with a local Company. When this is ready for delivery, as it should be in some six or seven weeks' time, the superstructure will be commenced.

The official opening of the new Kiel Canal, which connects the war ports of the North Sea and Baltic, and is provided with the most complete railway of their kind in the world, will take place next April. The completion of the work will be marked by ceremonies, at which the Kaiser will preside, of character befitting the event. In the opinion of naval strategists the works will immensely strengthen the striking efficiency of the German fleet.

10 YEARS AGO

With the National Government facing a possible deficit on the Budget for the current financial year, President Coolidge has issued a warning urging that rigid economy in Federal outlay must be continued. He adds that the rapidly mounting cost of the State and local Governments must be sharply curtailed if national prosperity is to be maintained.

Addressing members of the Kowloon Y.M.C.A. last evening, in the first of a series of talks on China, Dr. S. Y. Wong said that the Chinese Central Government will only be a success if China is left alone and allowed to have a free hand. We cannot succeed if we have foreign interference in our affairs. We shall have a representative government like Western nations, in the course of time, if we can get peace, order and the spread of education in our country—and we shall only get this if foreign Powers do not interfere with us."

"Your hat will be arrested," said Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning to a Chinese who was his headgear in Court. The offender was ordered to return in two hours' time to retrieve his hat, which was detained by the Court.

5 YEARS AGO

In an exhibition game of billiards at Shamshuipo last night, Willie Smith defeated A. J. Osmund, Hongkong Champion, to whom he conceded 500 points by 1,000 to 900.

The professional's best breaks were 125, 70, 70, 74 and 71. Osmund made 43, 40 and 37 breaks. In a game of snooker Osmund received 30 and best Smith by 80 to 30.

Vicious Circle At Work

Kerang, Australia. Drs. Pook and Munro, physicians and partners, have been the victims of a vicious circle. After work in the local hospital, they left by separate doors, got into their cars and started for home. Dr. Pook turned to the right and Dr. Munro to the left. Both travelled a block and then crashed into each other.

Plot To Overthrow Siamese Cabinet

Singapore, Jan. 30. A Siamese official radio bulletin reveals the unearthing of a plot to overthrow the Government and to restore ex-King Prajadhipok, who is now living in England.—United Press.

FRANCO CONTINUES DRIVE TOWARDS FRENCH FRONTIER

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FRENCH CONTROVERSY

Paris, Jan. 29.

The French press is now engaged in a violent dispute regarding the question of the appointment of a French diplomatic representative in Burgos.

The former Premier, M. Leon Dlum to-day contributes an article which declares in sharp language that the establishment of a diplomatic relations with insurgent Spain is simply out of the question.

Right Wing organs, on the other hand, declare that the moment has now come when opening of diplomatic relations cannot be further delayed. "Le Matin" writes: "The late President Wilson once declared 'What has always struck me about pacifists was their amazing stupidity. Their stupidity is surpassed only by that of our war party.'"

—Trans-Ocean.

BORDER GUARDS

London, Jan. 29.

It is stated that Senior Alvarez Del Vayo, the Loyalist Foreign Minister has ordered detachments of soldiers to the frontier to prevent soldiers, officials, and politicians escaping into France.

Food is reported to be completely lacking at Puigcerda, the Loyalist centre where, it is stated, extremists are creating an ugly situation which is likely to lead to a reception of the scenes at the beginning of the war.

Refugees declare that Anarchists and Communists have taken military command, and seized the carabinieri posts after fighting.

The colonel commanding the region has taken refuge in France.—Reuter Special.

PANIC IN TUNNEL

Perpignan, Jan. 29.

Scenes of a frightful panic were witnessed in a mile-long tunnel between the Spanish frontier town of Fort Bou and the French town of Cerberre, to-day.

Because of a rumour that insurgent Spanish troops had landed at Fort Bou and were occupying the town, loyalist militiamen, and a large number of civilian men, women and children fled in panic into the tunnel, endeavouring to reach the French border.

Within a few minutes, horrible scenes occurred, when women and children were brutally trampled upon in the wild rush through the dark tunnel, which was immediately blocked by a mass of struggling humanity.

There are, as yet, no figures available as to the number of fugitives having crossed into France. It is known, however, that on Saturday 15,000 persons crossed the border, and on Saturday night between 30,000 and 40,000 fugitives were still waiting at the frontier.—Trans-Ocean.

RAID ON ALCOY

Madrid, Jan. 29.

Two were killed, 27 wounded, and 10 houses were destroyed as a result of an air raid by five Savoia planes, which dropped 60 bombs on Alcoy, in the Alicante province, to-day.

According to a Valencia report, the Loyalist authorities have decided to evacuate and withdraw troops from the Barcelona sector in order to prevent further casualties, as a large number of civilians still remain in the capital.

However it is insisted that the capture of Barcelona by the insurgents does not mean the collapse of the Loyalist position, as the Eastern army remains intact and will continue to fight the insurgents.

It is reported that fighting has been very fierce in the littoral sectors during the past 24 hours, especially at Mataro.

South of Granoller, Italian and Spanish forces fiercely attacked the Loyalists, but it is reported that all attacks were repulsed and Manresa on the Solsona, the Loyalists claim to have repulsed insurgent attacks with heavy losses.—United Press.

REFUGEE STREAM

Perpignan, Jan. 29.

Thirty-five thousand Spanish refugees are either already in France, or were within sight of the frontier to-day, as the exodus from Catalonia continued with growing momentum, all women and children entering as fast as the French authorities were able to check them and to send them to temporary concentration camps.

Nevertheless, until further orders, the border remains closed to able-bodied men, who must remain on the Spanish side of the frontier until instructions from Paris to the frontier guards are changed. This will probably be when the bulk of the women and children have reached safety on the French side of the border.

Last night there was actually issued an order to turn back those who had already entered France, but before this could be executed to any extent, the instructions were changed. Those already in France will be allowed to remain and interned in concentration camps. A few who were actually pushed back were allowed to re-enter early this morning.

As the influx of refugees grew to-day, the French military authorities took further precautions and by mid-day there were between four and five thousand men guarding the mountain passes, as well as those stationed at the frontier post to handle the throngs.—United Press.

SOLDIER ROBBED SHOP FOKI

\$80 Fine For Valley Road Escapade

Pte. Stephen Vincent Ward, of "D" Coy., the Middlesex Regiment, appeared before Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning and pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny from the person of Li Chuen, 37 shop foki of 17, Valley Road of \$103.90 in Chinese currency notes on Saturday evening. He was fined \$80 in default 2 months' hard labour.

It was stated by the prosecution that at 7.35 p.m. on Saturday Li Chuen, the complainant was proceeding to his relative's shop at 17, Valley Road, to attend to some work. A European in civilian clothing followed him. The European spoke to him in English, which he did not understand, whereupon Li was forced to put up his hands and submit to a search of his person.

The money in question was taken away from a purse in complainant's possession, after which the defendant ran away and boarded a bus. It happened that Sergeant F. Fender was a passenger on the bus at the time, and his suspicions were aroused when defendant tendered one of the stolen Chinese notes for his fare. Defendant, when he tendered the money told Sgt. Fender that he had been chased by a crowd of Chinese who attempted to change the notes at a money-changer's. Sergeant Fender, thinking that something was wrong, took him into custody. When nearing the Kowloon City Police Station, defendant who had already made a report and who was in a Police van at the time, met Sgt. Fender and the defendant, and identified Ward as the man who had robbed him.

An officer attached to defendant's Company, said that his military record was fair.

It is understood that defendant's fine was paid.

LOOTERS DESCEND ON WRECKED TOWNS

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that the church will feed and clothe all injured and orphaned children. Victoriano Reyes, a "United Press" correspondent, who motored for 24 hours, has seen Cauquenes reported by short-wave wireless that "there are 12,000 homeless here. Damage is estimated at 80,000,000 pesos. The quake buried 500 buildings, and in addition left 300 buildings in ruins."

The earthquake was so strong that it desolated two cemeteries where graves opened and scattered coffins and skeletons.

The Caracas Government has begun a campaign to raise 50,000 bolivars to aid Chile quake victims.

A Lima report says that the a.s. Maranon has sailed directly to Talcahuano, where it is expected to arrive on February 3 with 400 tons of supplies, including foodstuffs, medical supplies, and clothing.

Meanwhile the Peruvian Red Cross Society has sent the Chilean Government \$1,000. Twenty-five Peruvian physicians have offered gratuitously to assist the Chilean sufferers.

A New York report says that although the New York Chapter of the American Red Cross has not yet received instructions to solicit funds, the Chapter is already accepting voluntary contributions for the earthquake victims. Chapter officials said that so far they had received \$102 in unsolicited funds.

Meanwhile the acting Chilean Consul-General, Senor Anelardo Silva said that he would welcome voluntary contributions. However, he explained that he was legally prohibited from seeking financial aid from the United States public.—United Press.

Indians Demand Say In London Talks

Bombay, Jan. 29.

Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League, has cabled the Prime Minister urging the Imperial Government to give the League representation at the London Palestine conference, and asking that "Arab national demands for Palestine be conceded."

He warned the Government that failure by the conference would have the most disastrous consequences throughout the Moslem world.

A similar message was sent to Mr. Malcolm MacDonald.—Reuter.

INDIA CRISIS POSSIBLE

The Congress voting was 1,550 for Bose and 1,375 for Sitaramaya. Jawaharlal Nehru, addressing the Congress Committee at Lucknow declared that India might be faced with a crisis in a few weeks.

Mahatma Gandhi, addressing peasants at Varad on the occasion of the restoration of lands confiscated during the civil disobedience campaign in 1930-32, asked the peasants to be prepared to lose their lands again if the occasion arose.—Reuter.

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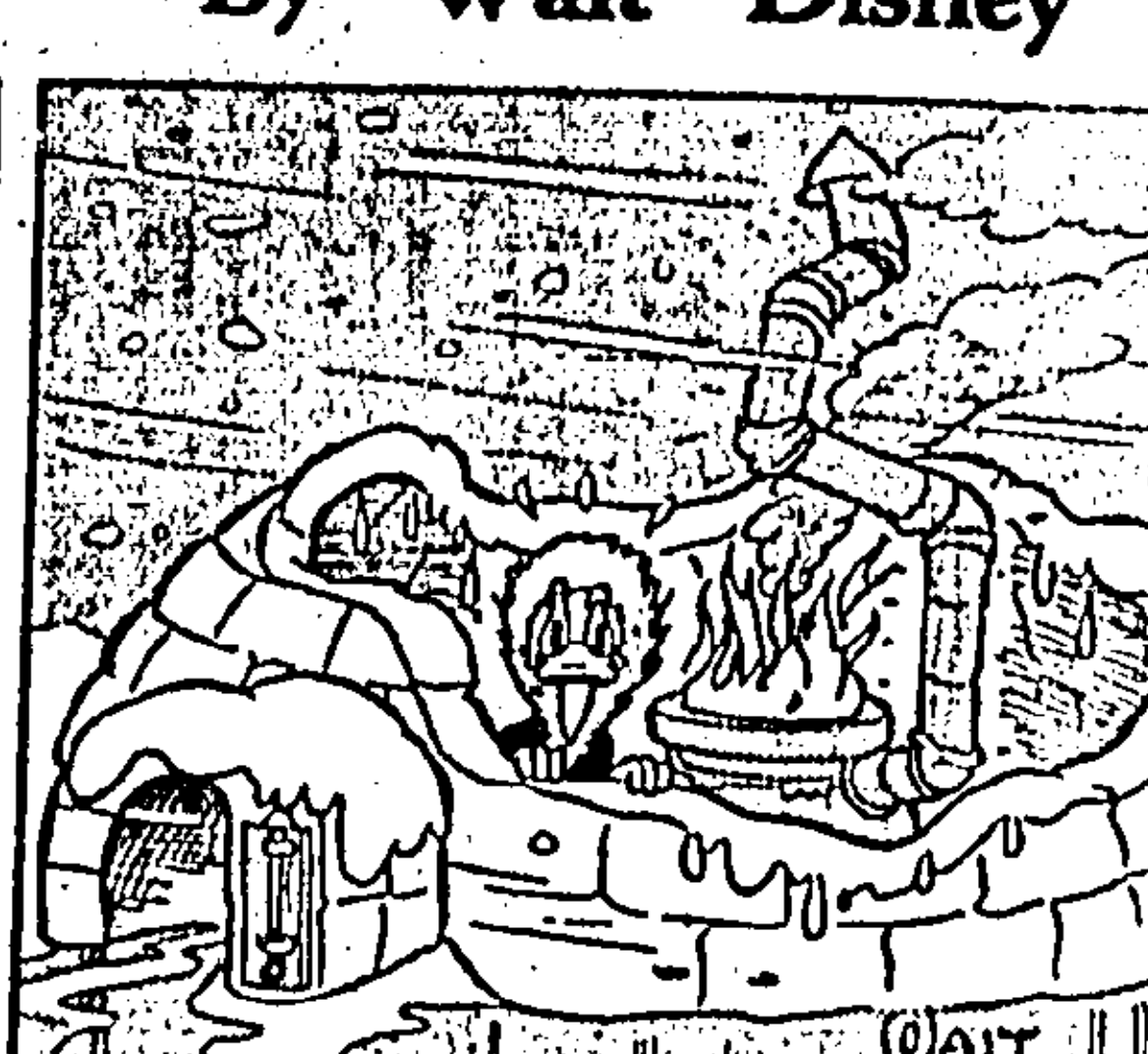
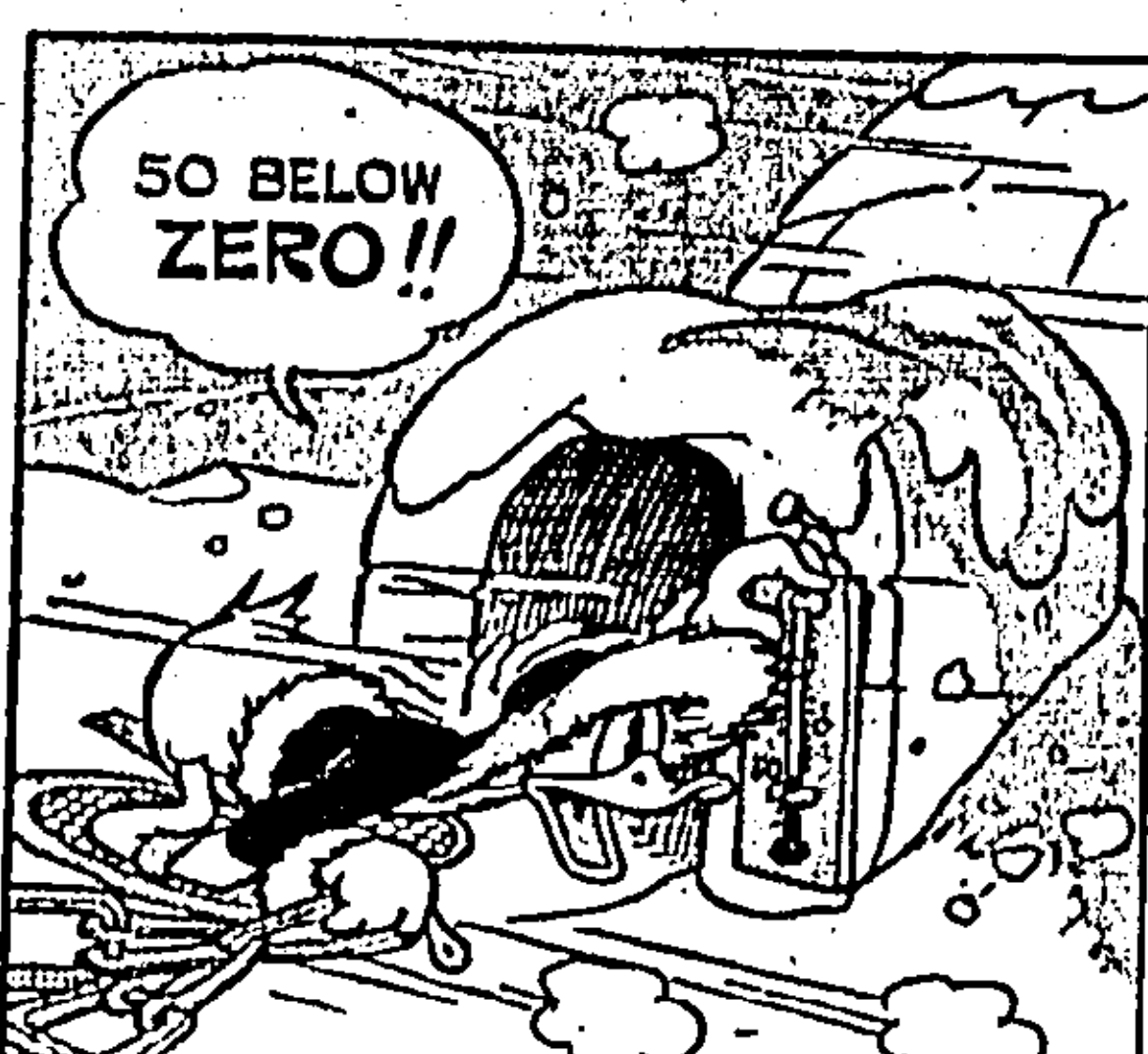
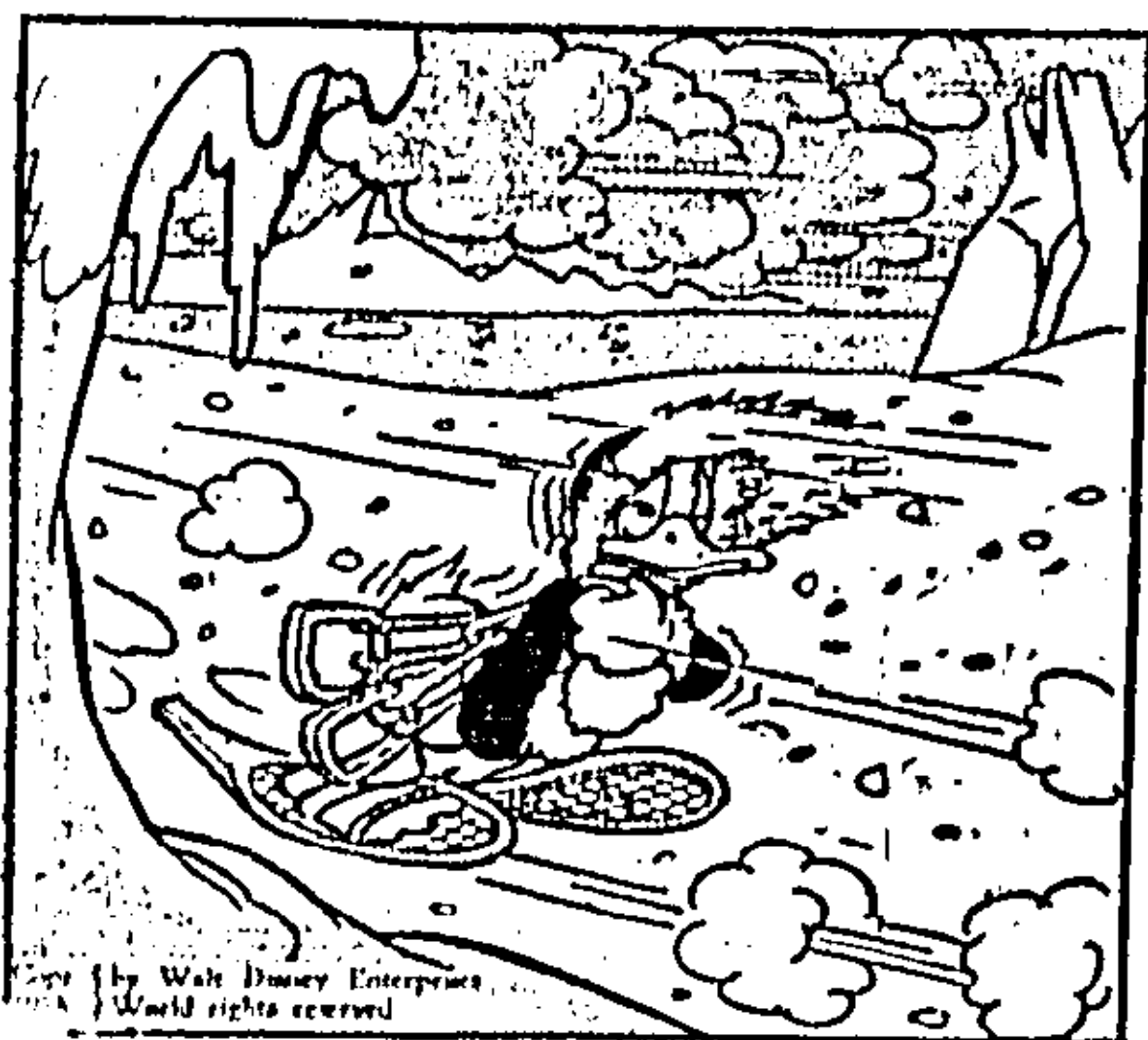
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ANTI-COMINTERN PACT MAY BECOME A MERE "SCRAP OF PAPER"

CHUNGKING, Jan. 29.
PRIVATE German circles here to-day told the "United Press" that relations between Germany and Russia were so much improved recently that the German-Japan-Italian anti-Comintern Pact is likely to become a scrap of paper, resulting in the complete desertion of Japan by Germany and Italy.

It was pointed out that a trade commission was going from Berlin to Moscow to arrange a trade pact between Germany and Russia, and also for arranging an improvement in diplomatic relations between the two countries.

It is said that German Fascism and Russian Socialism are not regarded as incompatible, as Hitlerism is also based on Socialism. The difference between the political ideals of the two countries is felt to be negligible, and that friction between the two countries in recent years has been a matter of national policies.

It was stated that Russia is anxious to obtain a free hand in the Far East to deal with Japan, and Germany was similarly anxious for a free hand in Europe.

It was said that these would be the basic conditions for a possible future rapprochement between the two countries.

It was added that advisers to Herr Hitler realised that they had nothing to gain by supporting Japan in the China campaign, but everything to lose.

The commentators also added that Italy was following Germany's lead in improving relations with Soviet Russia.—United Press.

Arab Woman Killed In Ambushed Bus

Jerusalem, Jan. 29.
Shots were fired from an ambush at an omnibus on the outskirts of Jerusalem to-day.
One Arab woman was killed, and another passenger was wounded.—Reuter.



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Woman Jumps Into Street

SEVERE head injuries were received by Mak Lai-sheung, 29, of Shanghai Street, when she jumped from the back window of the above address yesterday in an attempt to commit suicide. She was sent to the Kowloon Hospital for treatment.

73 Cases Of Tuberculosis In 48 Hours

NO less than 73 cases of tuberculosis were reported in Hongkong during the 48 hours ending at midnight on January 29.

Of these, 42 were from Victoria, 22 from Kowloon, four from the New Territories, three from Aberdeen, and one each from Shaokwan and the Harbour.

During the first week of notifications, as many as 147 cases have been reported.
During a period of two days, there were four cases of diphtheria, ten of measles, five of enteric fever, three of chicken-pox, two of meningitis, and one each of dysentery and small-pox.

Britain's Hint To Costa Rica

Wants Reciprocal
Trade Facilities

SAN JOSE,
Costa Rica, Jan. 29.
THE BRITISH Government has made an official representation to the Costa Rican Government through diplomatic channels, pointing out the desirability for Costa Rica to improve the disfavoured trade balance with her on the basis of reciprocity.

It is emphasised that Britain is the principal purchaser of Costa Rica's coffee, and therefore entitled to take precedence over Japan, from whom Costa Rica makes preferential purchases to the detriment of Britain, although Japan is no purchaser of Costa Rican products.

Although no threat of reprisals has been made, it is believed that the British note intimated that unless a reciprocal policy was adopted, the British Government may, in the future, contemplate establishment of a compensation system.—United Press.

Eurasia Starts New Service

Air Network In
China's North-West

CHUNGKING, Jan. 29.
AVIATION officials said that beginning to-day the Eurasia Aviation Corporation will run a regular mail and passenger service between Lanchow and Liangchow (north-west Lanchow is on the China-Sinkiang highway), between Lanchow and Sining, Sining being the capital of Chinghai (Kokonor) province, and between Chungking and Sian.

It was stated that these will be in addition to the regular lines operated heretofore, namely the Chungking-Chengtu-Sian line, the Chungking-Kweilin line, the Chungking-Kunming line, and the Sian-Lanchow line.

The officials said that the new additions were all in the north-west, tending to complete a network of lines in the north-west with the ultimate hope of finally reaching Tihua and Chukchuk in Chinese-Turkistan, or Sinkiang.

It was remarked that all the regular lines west of Sian were operated by Chinese pilots. However, the lines between Sian and Chengtu and Chungking were still piloted by Germans.

It was pointed out that the fact that Chinese pilots were running Junkers machines north-west beyond Sian was also a demonstration to outsiders that Chinese pilots were perfectly capable of running passengers with safety and dependability.—United Press.

African Colonies Combat Nazis

Nairobi, Jan. 29.
The East African governments have been called upon by the Tanganyika League to counteract anti-British propaganda, to strengthen the political departments, or to declare the Nazi organisation illegal.—Reuter.

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11.15 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Lello Hutchinson (Vocal) at the Piano.
Dreaming A Dream (from "Yes Madam?"); This Is No Sin (from "I'll Diddle-De-Dee"); There's Rain in My Eyes (McCarthy-Schwartz); Take Me In Your Arms (Roucoroni).

12.42 Hawaiian Music.
Underneath The Blue Hawaiian Skies—Waltz (Vasserman); Sweet Hawaiian Dream Girl—Waltz (Green and Williams); The Hawaiian Melody Players; Hawaiian Stars Are Gleaming (Ege and Rosen); Oh! Rosalia (Ege and Llossas); Linn Milford and His Hawaiian Players with Vocal Chorus; Farewell Hawaii (Buehl and Phillips); The Hawaiian Islanders with Vocal Chorus.

1.0 Time and Weather.
1.03 Latest Dance Music.

Quickstep—Hold My Hand; Slow Fox-Trot—Heart And Soul (film "A Song Is Born"); Gerry Moore (Piano); Fox-Trot—If It Rains (Who Cares); A Garden In Granada (Burriel Stanton Quintet); Waltz—Never Break A Promise; Fox-Trot—Tenderfoot, Ride (film "Romance and Rhythm"); The Organ, The Dance Band and Me (Piano) with vocal refrain; Fox-Trot—Look-A-There; Slim and Slim; Fox-Trot—The Trek Song (film "We're going to Be Rich"); Quickstep—I Got Love; The Band Waggoners; Phil Cardew with vocal refrain.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements.

1.40 Variety including Vic Oliver, Florence Desmond, The Mills Brothers and the Ballyhoolligans.

Swing is The Thing (from "Blackbirds of 1938"); The Mills Brothers (Four Boys and a Guitar); Choo-choo—Quickstep; China Boy—Quickstep; The Ballyhoolligans; In Love Again (from "Seeing Stars") (With Impressions of Bing Crosby and Elizabeth Bergner); Florence Desmond (Comedienne) with Orchestra; Butting In (over); Vic Oliver Goes Naughty (Oliver); Vic Oliver (Comedian); Temptation Rag—Fox-Trot; Somebody Stole My Gal—Fox-Trot; The Ballyhoolligans; Put On Your Old Grey Bonnet (Murphy and Wenrich); Sleepy Head (Kahn); The Mills Brothers (Four Boys and a Guitar).

2.15 Close down.

6.0 For The Children.
Childhood Memories (arr. Somers); London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Richard Cream; Nursery Rhymes; Intro: My Lady Wind; The Babes in the Wood; The King of France; A Fox went out; Pussy cat, pussy cat; Mary, Mary quite contrary; etc.; Uncle George's Party with Orchestra; Studio-Serial Story; "Snow White And The Seven Dwarfs"—Selection; Reginald Foot at the B.B.C. Organ.

6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Dance Music.
Tango—Tango; Illusion; Tango Espanol; Robert; Richard Dance Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Wanting You; Quickstep—Land In Sight; Billy Bartholomew and His Dance Orch.

6.45 London Relay—Music-Hall.
Including Bennett and Williams (Two jovial boys with their phono-fiddles); Rene Houston and Donald Stewart with The BBC Variety Orchestra conducted by Charles Shadwell. Presented by John Sharman.

7.45 Quentin Maclean at the Organ.
China Doll Parade (Zamecnik); Dabbling (Quentin M. Maclean); "The Gold Diggers Of Broadway"—Selection (Burke); with the Regal

Cinema Orchestra cond. by Emanuel Starkey.
8.0 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Edward German—Three Dances From Nell Gwynn.
Country Dance; Pastoral Dance; Merry-makers' Dance; Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra conducted by Sir Dan Godfrey.

8.13 Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan.
"The Gondoliers": Of Happiness The Very Pith; Derek Oldham, George Baker and Chorus; Rising Early In The Morning; George Baker and Chorus; "The Gondoliers"; With Ducl Pomp; Henry A. Lytton, Bertha Lewis and Chorus; On The Day When I Was Wedded; Bertha Lewis; To Help Unhappy Commuters; Henry A. Lytton and Bertha Lewis; "The Yeomen of the Guard"; How Say You, Maiden, Will You Wed; Arthur Hesling, Winifred Lawson and George Baker; I've Jibe and Joke; George Baker (Baritone); 'Tis Done! I Am A Bride!; Winifred Lawson (Soprano); "The Mikado"; Oh, Faithless One; B. Lewis, D. Oldham, E. Griffin and Chorus; Bruid The Raven Hair; Bertha Lewis (Soprano) and Chorus of Girls.

8.45 London Relay—"Books"-1.
A weekly series of talks by The Rt. Hon. The Earl of Lytton, K.C., G.C.S.R., G.C.E.

9.0 London Relay—Students' Songs and Sailor Songs.
The B.D.'s Men's Chorus conducted by Leslie Woodgate with Joseph Farrington (Bass); Students' Songs: There is a Tavern in the Town; The Mermaid; The Tarpaull Jacket; Little Brown Jug; Updee; Sailor Songs: Singing Johnny; Caroline of Gosport; Johnny Todd; Whitechapel Road; Whiskey Johnny; Billy Boy.

9.30 London Relay—"The News."
9.50 Songs by Grace Field.

Do You Remember My First Love Song (film "Queen of Hearts"); Why Did I Have To Meet You? (film "Queen of Hearts"); Did I Remember? (film "Suzy"); with Orchestra.

10.0 London Relay—"In Town Tonight."
Introducing personalities from every walk of life in interviews with Lionel Gamlin, flashes from the news of the week, and "Standing on the Corner" (Michael Standing interviews the man in the street). Edited and produced by C. F. Meacham.

10.30 Dance Music.
Fox-Trots—There's That Look In Your Eyes Again (film "Head over Heels"); Smoke Dreams; Peter Yorke and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Slow Fox-Trot—Let's Sing Again (from the film); When You're In Love With Someone—Waltz; Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra; Quickstep—H u n k a d o l a (George White's "Scandals"); Fox-Trot—According To The Moonlight (George White's "Scandals"); Harry Rosenthal and His Orchestra; Quickstep—On The Isle Of Kitchy-miboko; Tango—My Lost Love; Henry Jacques with His Correct Dance Tempo Orchestra; Fox-Trot—On A Little Bamboo Bridge; Rainbow On The River (from the film); Billy Bissett and His Orchestra with vocal Refrain.

11.0 Close down.

Spain And China Lecture

"Spain and China"—a talk on the background of the present struggle in Spain and its relationship with the Japanese invasion of China, will be given by Mr. Chang Chi, a veteran of the International Brigade in Loyalist Spain, at the Hongkong Ys Men's Club's weekly lift at the St. Francis Hotel on Thursday at 1 p.m.
Mr. Chang was connected with the U. S. Steel Corporation for eight years before going to Spain, and is a graduate of the University of Minnesota, U.S.A., in mining engineering.

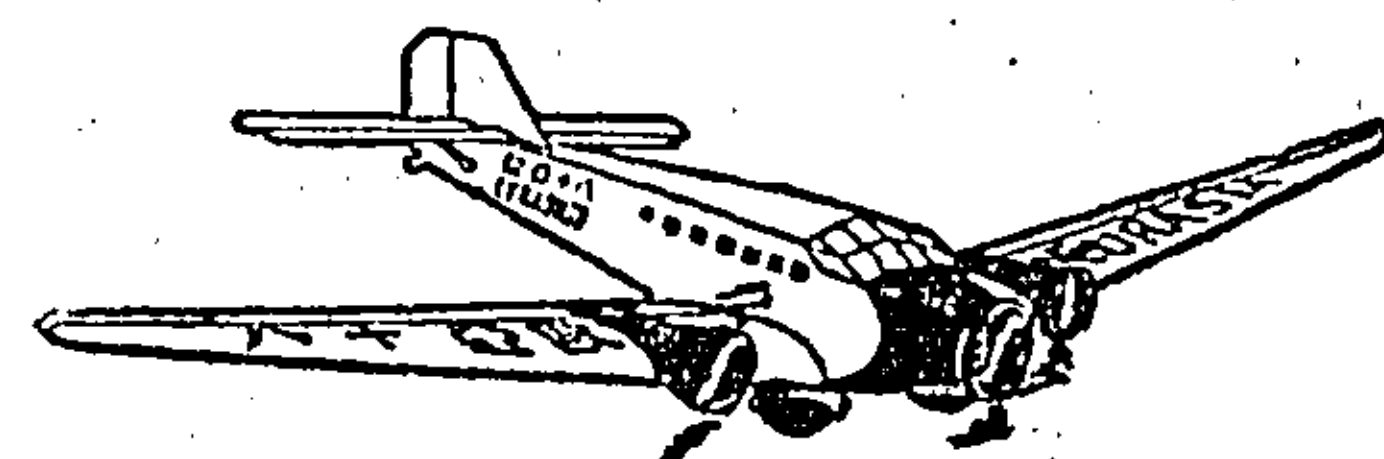
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DEATH

GUZDAR.—At the Queen Mary Hospital, on January 29, 1939, Dr. Jamshed Sorab Guzdar, aged 35 years, Coroner will pass the Monument to-day at 5.15 p.m. (Shanghai papers please copy).

The Hongkong Telegraph.

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January 30, 1939

New Order

THE GOVERNMENTS and peoples both of Great Britain and of the United States are constantly rebuked by Japanese spokesmen for their failure to "grasp the meaning of the new order in East Asia."

It seems doubtful however whether the nature and scope of Japan's continental ambitions, as formulated by her present leaders, are seriously misunderstood in responsible quarters on either side of the Atlantic.

In this context it is perhaps the Japanese who can be more justly charged with a lack of imaginative comprehension.

The "new order" of which they speak has not been established; probably no Japanese would pretend that it had. Its only reality is as a conception—vague but ardent—in the Japanese mind.

It is the weakness of this conception, this vision of the future, that it is somewhat parochial. It postulates (though its sponsors occasionally protest that it does not) the entire subjugation of China for the exclusive benefit of Japan; and by corollary it dismisses Europe and America from the Western Pacific.

Now these large desiderata are possible developments on paper; but to a balanced mind it cannot appear probable that in practice they will come about. It might be well for Japan if, in laying the so far unimpressive foundations of her "new order," her leaders were to remember that their country, though her destinies are high and her power considerable, is neither alone nor foremost in these two respects.

What Fear Did

HERE is a fable from the East:—

An Arab in the desert met Pestilence. "Whither are you going?" he asked. Pestilence answered, "I am going to Bagdad to kill five thousand."

Later the two met again. Said the Arab, "You have not kept your word. You slew not five but fifty thousand."

"No," answered Pestilence. "I killed five thousand. Fear slew the rest."

HAVE you ever examined your fellow bus or tram travellers and noticed, among their other depressing qualities, how many were wearing glasses? I did yesterday.

Three out of eight youngish men wore spectacles. One out of seven women had rimless pince-nez. One lifted a lorgnette to pay her fare. A third screwed up her eyes as she left the bus and fell off the step.

What is it all about?—Are we all going blind, or turning into peering Wellsian creatures wearing lenses from birth to death? I consulted several experts, all smugly bespectacled. Here is their story.

In this country the number of people who wear glasses is at its highest to-day. About 38 per cent. of the population either wear or need to wear them. Roughly one-third of us actually do use them at some time or other.

The statisticians have divided us into three groups. In the schoolchild group, a total of ten per cent. have defective sight. Of the people between 15 and 45 years of age as many as 15 per

cent. are faulty. And (con- tradict the experts, not me) all the people over 45 have eye defects and need occasional or permanent glasses.

And this does not take into account the remaining children too young or too difficult to classify.

Many of these who should wear glasses do not—for one of two reasons. Vanity or ignorance. Though 60 women for every 40 men consult oculists about their sight, I very much doubt whether the actual spectacle-wearing proportions are the same. Women, especially young women, would rather grope through misty lives than see through glass.



these men would not have tried to enter had they been aware of these defects.

I'm sorry to do a bogey act, but probably a tenth of the total larger windows in homes and

CAN YOU READ THIS AT TWENTY FEET

number of readers of this paper not wearing glasses would be advised to wear them if they consulted their oculists. And that figure is over and above those who already know that they need them.

Well that seems a fairly depressing story, but it isn't really as bad as it seems. Look at other countries. The United States with about 120 million population wears 45 million spectacles—a slightly higher percentage than in Britain. France has 16 million spectacles. Germany (not including Austria, Sudetenland and other oddments) has 18 million, which suggests slightly better sight or a Guns Before Spectacles policy.

Then ignorance. So we don't seem to be particularly C3 in sight compared with other places.

Is our eyesight progressively really they are deteriorating? Superficial figures for would seem to show it. But lack of spectacle-wearing proportions are the same, but that the army au- more of us are wearing glasses authorities a t because more of us realise that Home announced we need them. Also—a most that 11 per cent. important factor—more of us of a six-months' can now afford them.

In the bad old days countless lists were thousands were unable to buy, or turned down be- replace broken, glasses.

Some forms of eye defects in sight. Yet are, it is true, increasing. Rapidly of movement, the cinema, excessive smoking may harm times demand many "fittings" the eyes. But against that we before they fit the eyeball exactly. Must set improved lighting, ly. But they should make many converts.

Interesting especially to women, sportsmen and people like me who break their frames every week, is the "contact lens" a minute saucer-shaped bit of glass the size of a sixpence which actually fits on to the eye-ball.

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Language No One Can Understand



"Unofficial Soviet circles point out . . ."

proposed plan to delimit the definitive clause to include the export of graphite, as well as of lead, pencils. This has resulted in a gratifying *detente*.

To-day diplomacy is conducted through interpreters. Most diplomats, whatever their other qualifications, are not men of such education that they can trust themselves to speak a language not their own. Many diplomats at the heads of nations to-day have not only "little Latin and less Greek," but little English and less French.

They have not been trained through years of experience to know what is meant by a *demarche*, or a conversation. To-day they are all lumped together as "talks"—conducted through interpreters!

They do not know, the Hitlers and Mussolinis and Stalins, just what measures are implied by "grave view" as against "gravest possible view." They are not to the language born.

Alfred Duff Cooper, justifying

his resignation of the Admiralty to the House of Commons said: "The Prime Minister made a guarded statement that it would be unwise for anyone to count on our keeping out of a war. That was not the language dictators understood. They talked in a new language and such guarded utterances... meant nothing to the mentality of Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini."

When Chamberlain spoke to the House, he said that certain messages were not given to Hitler "in case they should have the opposite effect from that which was intended."

What he meant was, that the messages in question might send the German Chancellor into a neurotic passion and induce him to declare war out of nervous rage instead of keeping the peace.

Mr. Chamberlain's is the language of diplomacy; the language of evasion and subtle implication—and this he uses to his own people! Frankly, it leaves the man-in-the-street in something of a fog.

factories, better print and vastly better standard of eye treatment.

The increase is not a "true" increase. And, in a few years, scientific preventive and curative treatment may turn even that into a decrease. Eyesight is likely to improve.

One rather sinister factor, which demands action from the authorities is that of the people who are needlessly ruining their sight by wearing completely unsuitable glasses. Thousands of Chinese in Hongkong ruin their eyes in this manner by buying glasses over the counter or from hawkers in the streets, without first having their eyes tested.

Eyesight changes, and it is only sensible to consult your oculist once a year.

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Also it is more transparent than the finest optical glass. One of the biggest new inventions is that of "plastic glass"—a synthetic product made, I believe, from coal tar, which is easily moulded and worked, very light and almost unbreakable. Also it is more transparent than the finest optical glass.

It is likely to revolutionise the making of lenses of every sort and to reduce greatly the price of previously costly spectacles.

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What effect is such phraseology likely to have on the son of an Italian blacksmith, on a Georgian peasant, on an Austrian house-painter?

It is all to the good that these polite fictions should be blasted out of existence by the dynamite of genuine oratory. There was no language of diplomacy in Mussolini's "If I advance, follow me; if I retreat, kill me; if I die, avenge me!" none in Hitler's "One People, one State, one Leader," still less in Stalin's unapologetic firing squad, purging treason from his union of republics.

It is good that polite fiction should be replaced by—the truth. That a German should speak German and an Englishman English. There is—even with interpreters—less likelihood of misunderstanding.

But if the truth is to be spoken, it must be spoken openly. The promise of Open Diplomacy, made 20 years ago and dishonoured like so many idealistic pacts made since 1918, is still the greatest safeguard of a decent peace.

The language of diplomacy landed us in the war of 1914—when Edward Grey refused to tell Prince Lichnowsky that Britain would, certainly and definitely, fight on the side of France. The language of polite fiction put Abyssinia into the lap of Signor Mussolini who does not speak it; Austria into the hands of Herr Hitler who does not speak it; China under the (Achilles) heel of Japan, who does not speak it; and now has given all, and more than all, he demanded less than a month ago to Herr Hitler, who understood only one British speech—the mobilisation of the Navy.

If we talk to the dictators, we must talk their language, for they cannot speak ours.

Wyndham Street.

SOUTH CHINA "A" BEATEN 2-1 BY EASTEN ELEVEN

LEAGUE HOPES JEOPARDISED BY REVERSE

(By "Abel")

South China "A" lost two valuable points in their race for the First Division championship of the Football League with the Navy when they were defeated by two goals to one by Eastern on the Club ground yesterday. On the day's performance, they fully deserved to lose: their opponents were the nippier side and took full advantage of their opportunities in the first half.

The absence of Li Tin-sang from his accustomed position at left back made a considerable difference in the South China defence, which was very shaky right through. Leung Wing-chiu, who took over Li's berth, obviously was not happy in his new position, and after Eastern had taken a lead of 2-0, he changed over with Lee Kwok-wai, who made a far better job of it.

Nevertheless, Li's steady influence was missed badly. South China's defenders yesterday were far too flustered, especially after their opponents had forged ahead, and in a way, the Caroline Hill men were lucky to get away with such a narrow defeat.

On the other hand, Eastern's backs and half-backs, by first-time tackling, were able to keep out the South China forwards, who were never allowed to settle down to play their usual smooth game. Soong Ling-sing, the pivot, played a great part in Eastern's victory with his fine defensive play. He stuck to Fung King-cheung like a long-lost brother, and as a result the South China leader, who usually distributes his passes so well to his colleagues, was unable to find his men with the same regularity. The backs, Chang Chung-wan and Mew Wah-kwok, also defended stoutly, the latter's first-time kicking being a feature of his play.

FORWARDS INEFFECTIVE

With Fung King-cheung more or less bottled up, the South China forward line's effectiveness was reduced considerably. Neither Lal Shiu-wing nor Kwok Ying-kee, the two inside forwards, was able to receive the passes on which they usually thrive, and though both Law Tau-man and Tang Kwong-sum, the wingers, now and again found passes to their liking, these were rare and far between.

The re-shuffling of the half-back line succeeded in stopping further goals, but in keeping out the Eastern forwards the intermediates had little time to help in the attack. So, while the defence was strengthened

after being two goals down, the attack remained the same weak, unreliable machine.

Actually Eastern's forwards were far more dangerous when on the move. Chan Bing-to (outside right), Lee Tak-kee (centre-forward) and Hui Ching-to (outside left) were the key men. Their thrusts were swift. South China's defenders found this out in the first few minutes when a centre from Chan Bing-to was headed into the net by Lee, who had to jump high to get to the ball. Then a few minutes later, in another lightning raid, Lee sent Hui away, and the latter cut in to beat Pau Ka-ping for the second goal.

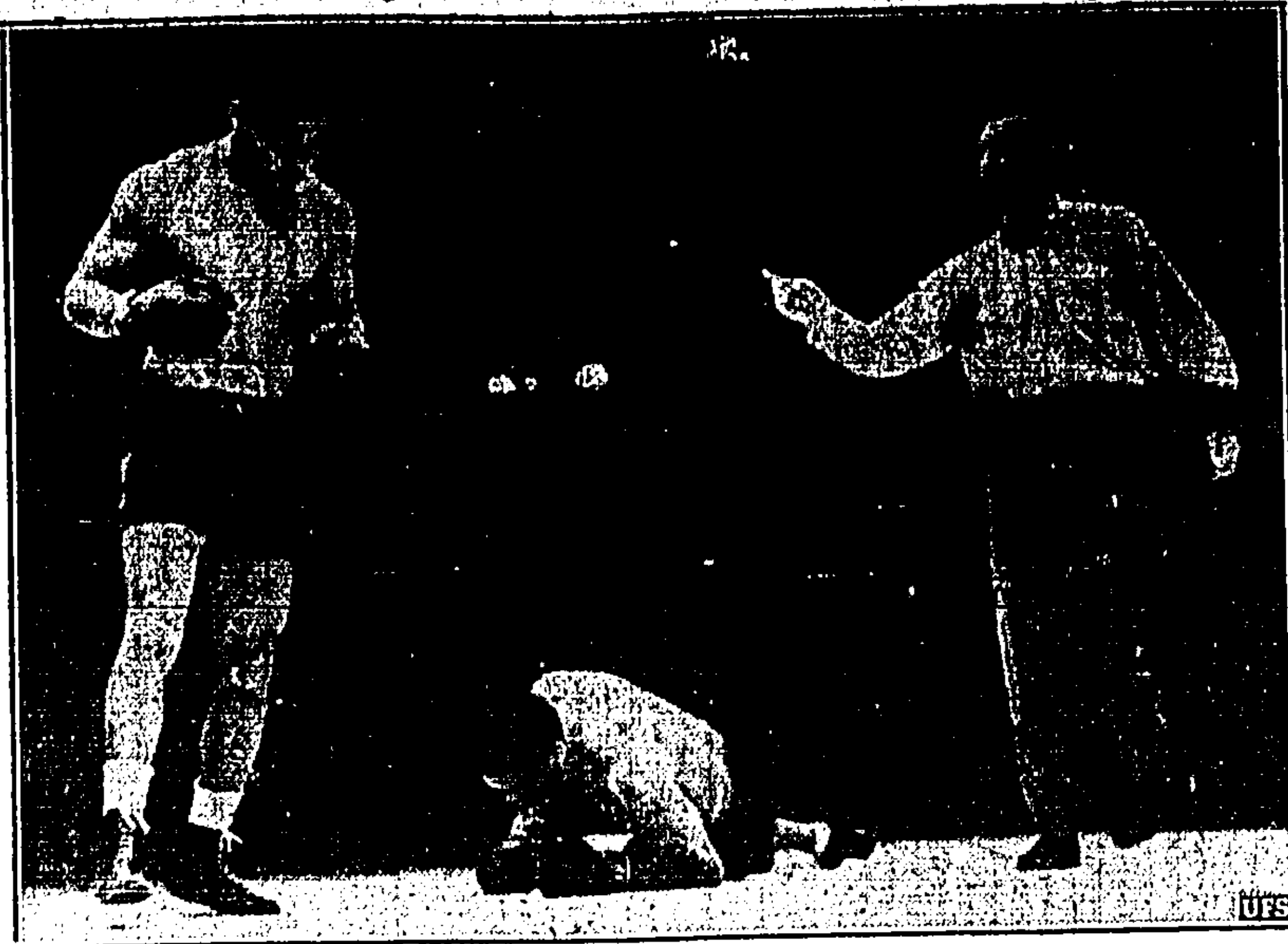
Hui King-shing, more accustomed to playing in the half-back line, turned out at inside left. He was a hard-worker, but too often nullified his efforts by hanging on the ball over-long, when a pass to one of his colleagues would have had better results to his side.

LISTLESS SIDE

The whole South China side seemed listless. At least they were almost always a yard slower on the ball than their opponents, and though Lal Shiu-wing reduced the deficit before the whistle blew for half-time they were unable to score the equalising goal.

Towards the end of the second period, Eastern packed their goal, and at certain stages of the encounter, there were only two or three men in the South China half during a raid. But the policy paid. Try as they did, South China were unable to penetrate the defence and the final whistle blew with Eastern worthy winners.

Teams: South China "A"—Pau Ka-ping; Mak Shu-hon, Leung Wing-chiu; Chang Ngai-cheung, Lau Hing-chai, Lee Kwok-wai; Tang Kwong-sum, Lal Shiu-wing, Fung King-cheung, Kwok Ying-kee and Law Tau-man. Eastern—Lau Hin-hon; Chang Chung-wan, Mew Wah-kwok; Lau Chi-chuen; Soong Ling-sing, Lo Wai-luen; Chan Bing-to, Ng Kee-cheung, Lee Tak-kee, Hui King-shing and Hui Ching-to.



"I'm Louis' master," insists Max Schmeling, the German boxer, who is now on his way to America. This picture tends to prove otherwise: It was taken 2 minutes and four seconds after the start of their title fight last June when Louis knocked him out. Schmeling first said that his visit to New York was a combination of business and pleasure, but it is now reported that he is angling for a return fight with the negro champion.

Indians Just Manage To Win A Point In Game Against C.C.C.

Though cricket matches generally on Saturday appear to have been of a very exciting variety, it would take a good deal to improve on the games which were played at the Valley. At Craigenower, the Indian R.C.—Craigenower C.C. struggle was renewed again, with the Indians barely managing to thwart their rivals of two points and save one for themselves.

Minu won the toss, and contrary to the expectations of Craigenower, sent the home team in to bat. This in view of the fact that the wicket there is known to be playing badly in the second innings. Craigenower, however, were taking no chances, and scoring at times was laborious. Minu, early on, appeared to have found a "spot" which was regarded apprehensively for the balls popped up alarmingly. However, though the ball was turning quite a bit, it seemed a batsman's wicket. The Indians, catching surprisingly, was bad, though it was redeemed by a most brilliant one by Nazarin just on the boundary; but the ground fielding was good. An astonishing number of catches were put down.

Souza's return to form was welcomed by his team-mates, and though he collected 45, his innings was far from being his soundest.

The true excitement of the match was in the end. The Indians opened with Y. el Arculli and K. Nazarin, who were progressing at a rate that would have brought victory when Nazarin was run out. A. H. Madar joined Arculli, and both were also shaping confidently when the latter was caught and bowled by Billmorla.

A BRILLIANT CATCH

Minu came in and the field dropped out, but A. K. Ismail in the gully, and close in, took a "hot" one off Francis Zimmermann to send Minu back. It was a wonderful one-

AUSTRALIAN TENNIS

Melbourne, Jan. 28. In the final of the women's Lawn Tennis singles championship of Australia today, Mrs. E. Westcott beat Mrs. H. Hopman 6-1, 6-2. In the men's doubles final, John Bromwich and Adrian Quist beat Donald Turnbull and Long 6-4, 7-5, 6-2.—Reuter.

handed catch, above and behind the head. This, apparently, was the turn of the tide, for A. R. Kitchell mis-timed Ismail and was held by Souza; Madar was scooped off the ground with one hand by E. Zimmermann in the slips, and M. el Arculli was brilliantly run out by Souza.

The clock ticked on, and Craigenower's batsmen like flies around a jam-pot. One from F. R. Zimmermann shot through and took K. M. Rumjahn's wicket, and a little later Ismail Ali put his foot in front of a straight "un" from Billmorla. Tension was high. Chaps in the pavilion couldn't hold their glasses without dropping some of the contents.

Meanwhile, at the other end, S. A. Ismail was doing his "stuff" with a bat as dead as yesterday's news. M. P. Madar was bowled by Billmorla in the second last over, leaving one over to go with one wicket to fall. Zimmermann (F.R.) took the last over and on his third ball, A. T. Lee (Continued on Page 9.)

CLUB RUGBY SIDE MUCH TOO GOOD FOR REST FIFTEEN

Happy Augury For Next Saturday's Interport

(By "Fly-Half")

On Saturday afternoon on the Club ground, the team picked to represent the Club to play in the Interport against Malaya which takes place next Saturday, met a team drawn from the Rest of the Colony. It was obvious from the kick-off that Club would have a comfortable victory in view of the fact that not one of the regular Navy players was included in the Rest team; and so it proved.

However, the game was far from dull, because the Rest forwards put up a great fight against their more formidable opponents; and it was not until near the end of the game that they were subdued. Culmer, a fifteen-stone forward, played a stout game, being prominent in most of the forward rushes made by the Rest pack. He was ably assisted by Cuthbertson, Berry and Page. Potter was the main spring in the Rest backs until he was injured. He received a good service from Rutherford, who put in a good afternoon's work. This was Rutherford's first appearance in many weeks. Thomas, out on the wing, was seldom called into action except in defence and then he was generally left with two men to deal with.

GOOD CLUB PACK

There was a comfortable look about the packing of the Club pack which augurs well for them in next Saturday's game. Peers and Walkden are perfectly matched in the second row where they bound well. Salter, with the push in his favour, gained possession of the ball in the set scrums almost repeatedly. In the line-outs, the Rest forwards were equally as good as the Club men, especially Culmer and Berry.

The Club wing three were rather careless in their throwing-in, placing the ball without discretion. Henderson was once again in fine form. His quick passing was fairly safe and caused no uneasiness. Once or twice he broke through on his own and showed a clean pair of heels. MacGrath was far too individualistic at stand-off half. He had a bad habit of running across instead of passing out when he saw his way barred in front.

PRACTICE FOR THREES

The Club threes were seldom called upon in defence and found little difficulty in piercing their opponents' three-line. The wing three, when in possession, had little more than to run for the line. It appeared that, with the Club threes meeting such poor opposition, they were endeavouring to indulge in as much inter-passing as possible. Punters ahead were tried frequently by the Club wing three when a long cross-kick would have been more profitable. Often forwards were up waiting in vain for a cross-kick. Watts started the game at stand-off half but after ten minutes' play changed places with MacGrath, the Club's regular full-back. The former had very little to do. Chadwick (2), Henderson and Redman scored tries for the Club in the first half. Henderson's effort was typical of him—from a scrum on the Rest's line, he flung himself over the line. Watson converted two.

Berry and Boe kicked penalty goals for the Rest. Club were on many occasions penalised for off-sides. Chadwick, Grieve, Bidwell and Stewart (2) scored unconverted tries for the Club. Potter forced his way over for the Rest's only try which was not improved upon.

Teams: Club XV—E. M. Watts; D. H. Stewart; H. D. Bidwell; W. E. Grieve; G. K. Chadwick; M. W. MacGrath; J. H. Henderson; K. A. Watson; K. W. Salter; D. E. W. Stout; A. F. Walkden; W. E. Peers; J. Redman; A. J. G. Taylor; W. B. Richardson.

The Rest—L/Cpl. Neenan; F. O. Thomas; L/Cpl. Boe; Ldg. Sen. Stead; Van Whieble; Lt. Potter; Rutherford; Sub. Lt. Hain; Cpl. Morgan; Wtr. Snaker; Sub. Lt. Culmer; L/Cpl. Sutherland; L/Sgt. Page; Pte. Berry and Lt. N. H. Cuthbertson.

CLUB "A" BEATEN

A team drawn from H.M.S. Tamar and the Small Ships defeated the Club "A" by 17 points (a goal and four tries) to six points (two tries). The Navy men were superior at forward, especially in the loose where Thorburn excelled. Clark was the better of the scrum-halves, his vis-a-vis Hopkins being out of position. Dalziel was the pick of the Club forwards.

Scorers for the Tamar and Small Ships were Clark (2), Thorburn (2) and Ferris, while Ashton converted one. Van Leeuwen and Bosanquet scored unconverted tries for the Club.

INTER-HONG SOFTBALL COMMENCES

Following are the scores of yesterday's softball games:

Men—Canadian Chinese 3, English Forum 2, Central British 10, St. Joseph's 6.	
Women—Canadian Chinese 15, Central British 2, Cubs 45, Panthers 17, Wildcatters 10, Recrelo 13.	
Inter-Hong—Netherlands Bank 11, Texaco 0, Shell Oil 5, National City Bank 3.	
Men's League Standing	
Chinese Baseballers	W L Pct
Midgets	7 777
Recrelo	7 777
Philips	7 777
Canadian Chinese	7 777
Treasure	7 777
Central British	7 777
Machine Gunners	7 777
English Forum	7 777
Hongkong Baseballers	7 777
St. Joseph's	7 777

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SECOND HOCKEY INTERPORT TRIAL HELD

PROVIDED LITTLE OF INTEREST TO CROWD

(By "The Pilgrim")

The second Hockey Interport trial, held on the Club ground at King's Park yesterday morning, proved of little interest to the spectators. Little new was learned by the selectors.

The first half, which ended in a 1-1 draw, provided some good play, but the second period, after changes had been made, was a scrappy affair in which the shooting by the Colours' attack was the main feature. This half also ended in a 1-1 draw.

The Colours took the lead in the first half through Fongpin, who had no hesitation in snapping up a partial clearance by King to flick the ball past Gonsalves for a neat goal. After a ding-dong struggle, in which both defences excelled, G. Singh, at inside left, evened up matters for the Whites with a good goal.

G. Singh and Pyara Singh, in the Whites' left flank, provided the danger in the attack, but Kennedy, at centre-forward, and Pritam Nath, at inside right, could not work up a combination. The latter, though displaying clever stick-work, more often than not sent the ball too far out for Smith on the right wing.

BEST DEFENDERS

Gonsalves, at right back, and W. A. Reed, at centre-half, for the Whites, were easily the best defenders.

For the Colours, the intermediate line of Hussan, Hook and N. Whitley gave a fine display, with Hook at centre-half stealing the honours. Bond, at right back, was fast in his tackling, but Sommer, his partner, failed to impress.

Bartlett, Kraus and Fonseca, the inside trio, placed individualism before combination and their standard of play was never very high as a result. The first-named had a glorious opportunity of scoring when he broke through in a solo effort, but he finished up poorly. Miller was a dashing left winger who displayed poor stick-work and little was seen of S. Fowler, who was practically starved on the right wing.

On the run of play, Colours should have had a 2-1 victory over the Whites.

SECOND HALF

Though play in this half was scrappy, a better combination in the Colours' defence was noticeable. Benwell, in goal, did some splendid work when he made two brilliant clearances off Pyara Singh and Kennedy. The two full backs, Bond and Gonsalves, worked well together, demonstrating a good understanding. Hussan, Hook and N. Whitley were again in the picture and made a mess of the attempts of Pritam Nath, Kennedy and Fonseca, the Whites' forwards, to get within shooting range. They certainly worked well with their backs. G. Singh was brought in at inside left to Kraus and Miller and was the most effective inside forward. S. Fowler on the right wing with Bartlett as his inside man did not show his old dash, and the pair never combined effectively.

The Whites were best served in the defence by Taylor (right back), Marques (right half) and W. A. Reed (centre-half).

NEVER DANGEROUS

Pritam Nath, at inside right, and Kennedy, at centre-forward, never looked dangerous, nor did they reveal any outstanding skill or tactics. The former at times completely forgot that he had a right wing.

Pyara Singh, on the left wing, though not in his true position, exhibited dazzling stick-work and his equalising goal was a brilliant bit of individualistic work.

S. Singh drew first blood for the Colours with a smart flick goal and Pyara Singh equalised later. Both sets of forwards were mastered by better defences.

I believe 15 players will be nominated by the selectors, though the names have not been announced. No further trials will be held.

Further comment on the trials will be published on Thursday.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7) antediluvian-millennium-intemperance-ferocious-venomously-sensational

Fifteen Players Selected

Following the second trial held yesterday morning, 15 names have been selected from whom the team to play Macao in the Interport on Sunday, February 19, will be chosen.

Those selected are: V. Bond (Club), S. Fowler (C.B.A.), J. Gonsalves (Recreio), Lieut. Goodwin (R.N.), Lieut. Hook (Army), Lt. Commr. Kennedy (R.N.), M. R. Malik (K.I.T.C.), R. Marques (Recreio), Nerain Singh (Army), Lieut. Pritam Nath (Army), Partab (Army), Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.), W. A. Reed (Club), N. Whitley (Club) and Lt. Wood (R.N.). Umpires.—Messrs. R. Henderson and K. Hussain.

St. Andrew's Superior To C.B.A. Girls

(By "The Pilgrim").

On their ground on Saturday, the Central British School girls entertained St. Andrew's in the Carer Clark Cup competition and were defeated by four goals to one.

The schoolgirls commenced at a high speed and after a continued attack, Miss P. Turnbull, at inside right, gave them the lead. Their forwards passed well while on the run and the two wingers, Miss E. Watson and Miss J. Bradbury, were getting the ball across the middle.

Although the Saints' defence was hard pressed, it held firm until the attack began to show improvement, and a goal from Miss F. Wong on the right wing put the teams on level terms.

Saints continued the offensive and a few minutes later, Miss F. Wong again cut in cleverly, doing the needful giving her side the lead. The schoolgirls were trying hard to equalise when the interval arrived.

Following up in the second half, the Saints had full measure of their youthful opponents and though they frequently got into the circle the forwards missed a number of scoring chances. Enjoying the best of the exchanges, however, further goals were added by Miss A. Greiner and Miss P. Gittins.

The Saints were much the superior side and would have doubled the score had the attack been in form.

Indians Lucky To Win A Point

(Continued from Page 8)

nearly picked one off Ismail's bat. However, the batsman let the remaining balls swing by, and the match ended.

There was, incidentally, some slight misunderstanding about the last over. Neither umpire had as yet declared "last over," but for some reason several of the players thought Bhimora's over was the last. Actually, the umpires agreed that there was time for another and so it was played.

ARMY "B" SURPRISED BY HIGH SPEED OF K. C. C. SCORING

B.D. Lay's Century Helps Visitors To Fine Win



Bertram Lay, to him fell the honour of scoring the first League century this season.

When two junior cricket teams, in the space of three and a half hour of actual play, manage to score 404 runs, one is inclined, instinctively to rate the bowling as tripe, but possibly in most cases this would be an accurate estimate. Yet, in the Army "B" v. K.C.C. league game at Sookunpoo on Saturday, in which this imposing aggregate of runs was amassed, the bowling, although perhaps lacking a certain amount of "devil," could not in fairness be dismissed as tripe.

Most of the credit for the tall scoring must go without qualification to the batsmen, who, on both sides, showed considerable enterprise, and used their bats in purposeful manner.

The Army started in whirlwind fashion, hoisting the first 50 in 20 minutes, and although there were two periods thereafter in which the telegraph board made slow progress, the home side were always well ahead of the clock, and their declaration at 107 for four wickets at about 3.52 p.m., was not only fair to the K.C.C., but apparently fairly safe. The Army made their runs in about an hour and three-quarters of actual play, and they made them well. Corporal Webb and Sapper Ratcliffe batted with supreme confidence to raise the score from 19 for 1 to 131. The former helped himself to a stylish and hard-hitting half century, without blemish his square cuts being a delightful feature. Immediately after he had reached his 50 he was dropped off a hard square cut, but in the next over obstructed a straight one from Luke.

UNTARNISHED INNINGS

Ratcliffe was a little more watchful, and against Baldwin and Lay may little attempt to force the pace, but he dealt unmercifully with anything which hinted at being loose, and his untarnished innings was a pleasure to watch. He scored his 77 out of a total of 178 and was undefeated when the closure was applied. Thirteen boundaries were his best strokes, and he scored his runs all round the wicket, although his

straight driving was the most memorable feature.

Once again the K.C.C. were able to display the variety of their attack, six bowlers being tried, but on the true matting wicket the spin bowlers could make little impression, and in striving for more spin, were apt to lose length and direction.

Even so, one must acknowledge the Army's batting power, and with such prolific run-getters they should be able to avoid defeat in most matches.

The attack could not compare. Goodger tried to bowl too fast and sacrificed about every else, which made him expensive on the small Sookunpoo ground with its fast outfield. Murphy tossed them up well, but his left hand slows did not worry the batsmen very much as he was too inclined to pitch outside the leg stump. Patterson looked as good as any of them, although one must remember that he obtained his two wickets when the K.C.C. were not caring two hoots how many wickets they lost so long as quick runs accrued. Thus both Mulcahy and Luke fell to venturesome shots.

DISTINGUISHED INNINGS

The result must have been a delightful surprise to the Kowloon team, but chief pleasure was centred in the success of Bertram Lay, whose innings of 111 not out was a most distinguished piece of batsmanship. He did not give a chance until he had completed his century (made in 100 minutes), and this, despite the fact that he forced the pace from the outset.

His tremendous pulls, perfectly timed cover-drives and hefty straight drives, four of which cleared the sight screen, helped to make his innings very attractive. He was never really uncomfortable, although he nearly pulled a ball on to his stumps when in the 50's, and later in the innings, with the light becoming bad, he lofted a number of shots, though none of them went to hand.

Twenty-one boundaries testify to the forcefulness of his batting. Although his was the outstanding knock, he did not entirely overshadow his colleagues, many of whom lent valuable support. Mulcahy hit five boundaries in his 22, and useful contributions of 21 from Broadbridge and 20 from Gray, both made in quick time, helped the K.C.C. to pull off a dazzling victory.

KUMAON RIFLES HOLD MACAO HOCKEY TEAM TO A DESERVED DRAW

Macao, Jan. 29.

The keenest interest was vested in this afternoon's hockey match and local sports circles anticipate that if the standard of play of Macao's team continues, Macao's chances in the forthcoming Interport are very promising. No less than 500 spectators were present and at the close of a very strenuous match, the visiting team of the Kumaon Rifles drew with Macao's formidable eleven, each side scoring once.

As play commenced, the local forwards pressed and kept the ball well in the visitors' territory for the best part of a quarter of an hour. The Kumaons, however, managed to stem the attack time and again, but Elloh Singh and Gusan Singh had their hands full to ward off successive blows.

Macao all but opened the score after five minutes when P. Angelo, centre-forward, directed a fine shot at the Kumaon goal but Ram Singh managed to clear. Two long and one short corners were awarded to Macao in as many minutes, but the local side did not find it possible to convert.

There was splendid understanding among the local forwards who were served accurately by their half back line. In one of their raids on the Kumaon position, Angelo placed a neat pass to H. Rosario on his immediate left enabling the latter to score.

The visitors would concede nothing and made several fine attempts to equalise, but Partab was well marked and up to the interval Macao maintained their lead.

BRILLIANT EFFORT

As play resumed, a brilliant effort was staged by the Kumaon forward line, but to no avail. The ball travelled forward into Macao's territory, but was quickly cleared. However, R.



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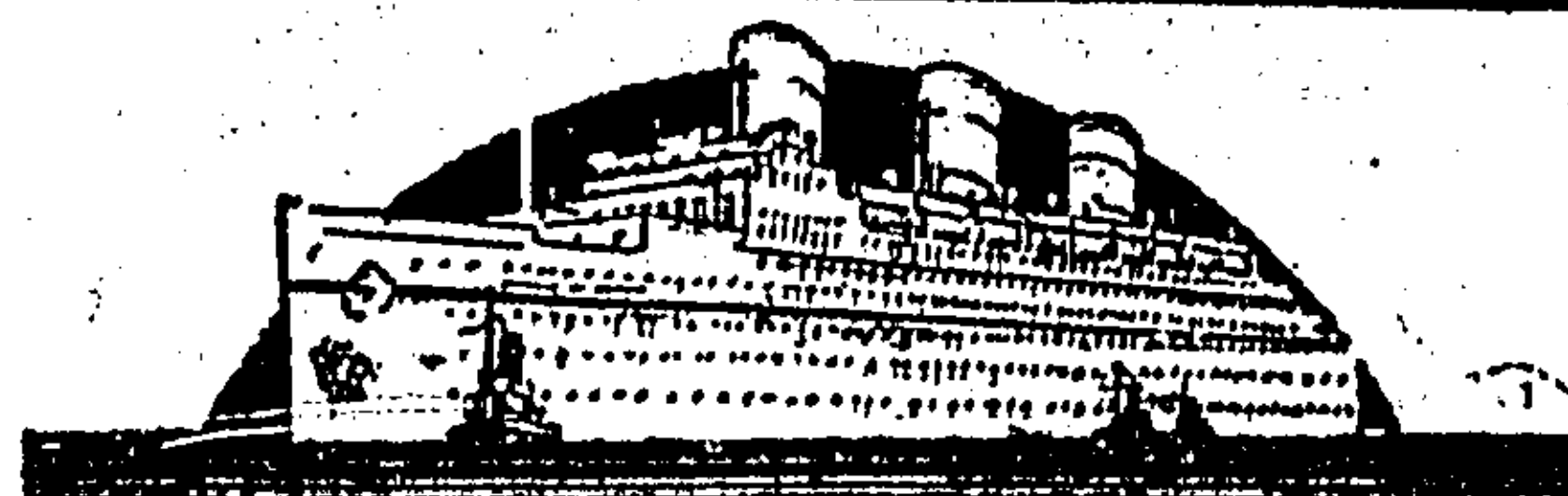
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Culled From The Kitchen

ICED cakes may become over-sweet. This is prevented if the icing sugar is mixed with lemon juice instead of water.

When using mustard or any piquant sauce for sandwiches, mix it first with the butter before spreading on the bread. This ensures even distribution of the flavouring.

When turning out a steamed pudding, leave for a minute or two to shrink from the sides. If it adheres to the bottom of the bowl, loosen carefully with the curved blade of a grapefruit knife, and it will turn out perfectly.

Should coffee not be freshly ground, place the required quantity in a pan and shake over a low heat for a moment before infusing. The flavour will equal that of newly bought coffee.

Before guests arrive for dinner, freshen up the house by putting a few drops of lavender water in a bowl of hot water. All odours of cooking will then disappear.

M. L. B.

1 Glossy black velvet evening gloves and bag match a black hair-ribbon and contrast with a white frock. A small pony of real flowers is pinned to each wrist.

2 Low-cut neck of the white frock is laced with black, tied with a bow, and filled with violet, pink, and blue flowers.

3 The new hair-flax, curls on top and ringlets down the back, is tied high with ribbon and a spray of flowers.

4 Ribbon and flowers again, but this time on the nape of the neck.

5 Transparent puff sleeves, made of stiff organza, are filled with bright flowers and tied with a ribbon matching the hair-flax.

6 Coral is back at the top of fashion. Thick twisted strands make necklace and bracelet, and match small earrings. The three electrify a white satin dress.



Cooking Lore

BEFORE stoning raisins, cut them in half and grease the fingers with a little butter instead of moistening them with water, as it is essential to keep the fruit as dry as possible. Incidentally, the stones are less likely to adhere to the fingers.

Soft biscuits should be placed on a tin in a moderately hot oven for a few minutes. Afterwards cool off on a wire stand when they will again become crisp.

When making egg sandwiches, scramble the egg instead of boiling it, for not only are many more sandwiches made, but they are more easily digested, and consequently better suited for small children.

Remember when cooking sausages to roll them lightly in flour before frying, for they will not then stick to the pan.

Before roasting potatoes, stand them in boiling water for fifteen minutes. Wipe them dry and peel off each one a circular strip. Then put them in a hot oven and the potatoes will be surprisingly light.

If when frying herrings or mackerel a few thin strips are cut from the outside of a grapefruit and put into the hot fat, much of the greasy taste will be taken away.

To keep the oven clean when cooking a fruit pie, fill a tray slightly larger than the pie-dish with connoisseur's salt and place the dish on this. Then if the juice does boil over, it will be absorbed by the salt and not burn.

When icing a cake, remember to sprinkle a little flour over the top, for it will keep the icing sugar from running over the sides.

To make a sweet glaze for pastry, dissolve in a pan over the fire one tablespoonful of brown sugar in two tablespoonfuls of milk. When cooked it can be brushed over the pastry.

Add a tablespoonful of milk to the water in which potatoes are boiled, and it will make them white and fluffy, and clear away any discoloration.

To prevent a cauliflower losing its colour while being cooked, add a small cupful of milk to some boiled salted water and plunge the prepared cauliflower in this.

G. G. T.

SALAD FLORIDA

SLICE off top and bottom of grapefruit with a sharp pointed knife, cut away all peel and pith. Cut out the sections between the membranes. Use lettuce or cos lettuce. Cut the lettuce into quarters, arrange slices of grapefruit on the lettuce, decorating with strips of pimento. Take half a glass of cream, squeeze remaining grapefruit juice into it, season with tobacco, sugar and salt to taste, and pour over salad. A very good salad for game or cold meat.

I'm Glad I Married A Typist!

MUCH has been said against the ability of the business girl to make a first-rate wife and it is about time someone said a word in her favour.

Before marriage, my wife could hardly claim much knowledge of the culinary art, but it was not long before she was able, with the help of one or two cookery books, to present me with as good a lunch as could be obtained anywhere. At least I thought and told her so.

A good business training makes a girl more independent and able to rise to any occasion.

I am not suggesting my wife reached a state of housewifery perfection straight away, but there were no mistakes like that of the newly-wed who, reading out of the cookery book, "Drop in two eggs" did so—shell and all. No, the burnt offerings and other manifestations of inexperience were the exception and not the rule.

The Fun of Experimenting

In any case, a young married couple in the thrill of an entirely new experience are quite willing to experiment a bit. In fact it can be good fun, provided the digestion does not suffer.

I am not one of these enlightened husbands who think there is nothing in running a house; I have learned more sense! It takes brains to run a house efficiently, and I know few men who would care for the job, even for a week. Helping to dry the dishes is a different matter.

Some girls may possess domestic training "ready made," as it were, and that is quite a good thing, but

because she has a business training.

Such insight and help engenders a pleasant companionship which is the keynote of a really happy marriage. We'll each live our own lives, but we'll be able to help each other in the most difficult task of life.

While it is like all other sensible husbands, have made my wife as secure as possible in the event of my sudden death, I have the comforting knowledge that she could at least earn her own living.

If I ever have a daughter I will have no hesitation in putting her into some form of business. It will do her a lot of good and little harm.

And when all is said and done, a woman is none the less a woman and that is quite a good thing, but

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Give Your Child A Scrapbook

ONE of the most effective ways of making your child interested in everyday affairs is to provide him with a scrapbook.

It should, preferably, be a large scrapbook. The pages should be thick enough to allow your child to paste in any items of news that may attract him. He should also be encouraged to write up anything interesting that he has seen or heard during the day, and to write it into his scrapbook as neatly as he can. In this way his powers of observation will be strengthened, and he will come to take a keener interest in the world about him.

You will be surprised to see how quickly a scrapbook can be filled; you will be surprised, too, to see how intriguing a book of this kind can become. Schoolwork will grow to be less and less of a trial, and your child will learn that most important of all lessons, that things are much more interesting than they seem.

J. G. I.

DRIED FRUITS

STEWING figs can be made as good as the most expensive "piled" figs by steaming them gently for 15 to 20 minutes.

Unless you have a patent steamer suitable, put them in a basin or a jam jar and stand this in a pan of boiling water sufficient to come halfway up the sides. Cover both basin and pan.

Block dates can be treated in the same way if they are hard. Some people like hot dates with mustard. Another way is to pull little pieces of the block while it is still warm and roll them in desiccated coconut. The result is some delicious and nourishing sweets which will appeal to children and adults alike.

Steamed prunes are good too if you want them for dessert. Steep them for not more than six hours and steam them in the same way as figs or dates, though they will probably require a little longer.

"Tenderised" prunes that need no steeping can now be obtained. These are obviously the best sort for steaming since no nourishment at all is lost.

Currents, raisins, and sultanas for whatever purpose they are required are improved by being steamed for a short while first. They must, however, be dried thoroughly again before being used for a cake. The steaming increases their size and "fleshiness" and makes them softer and therefore easier to digest.

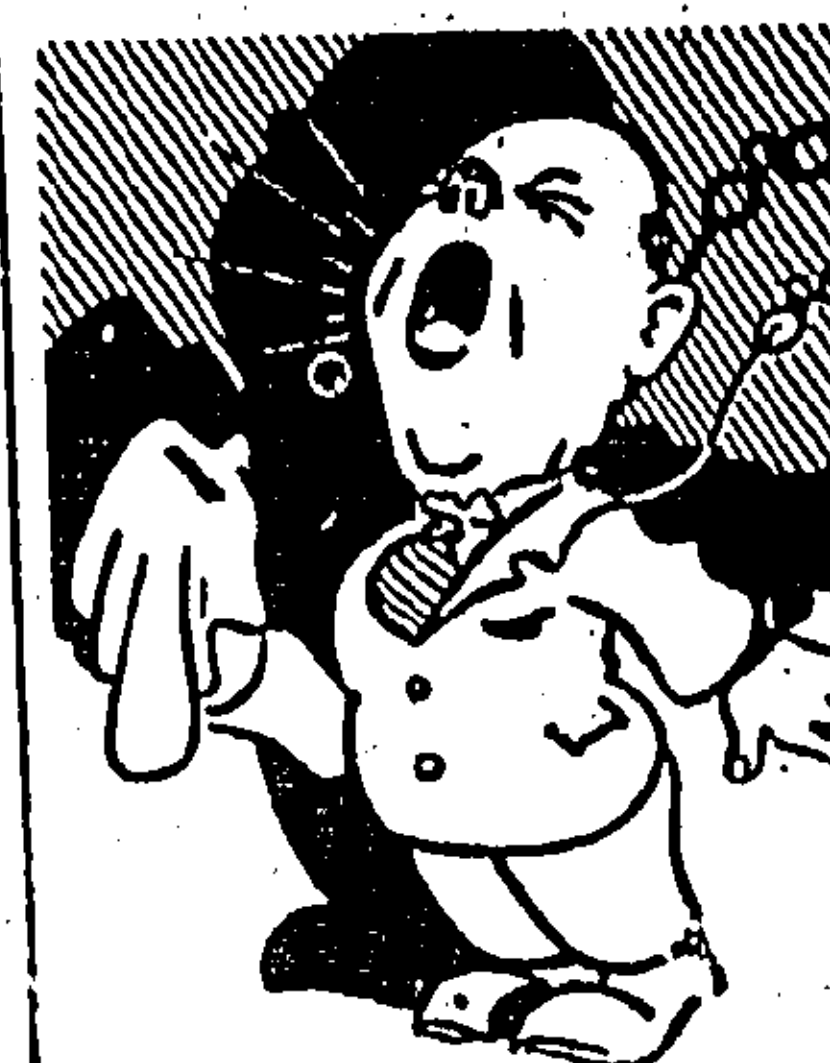
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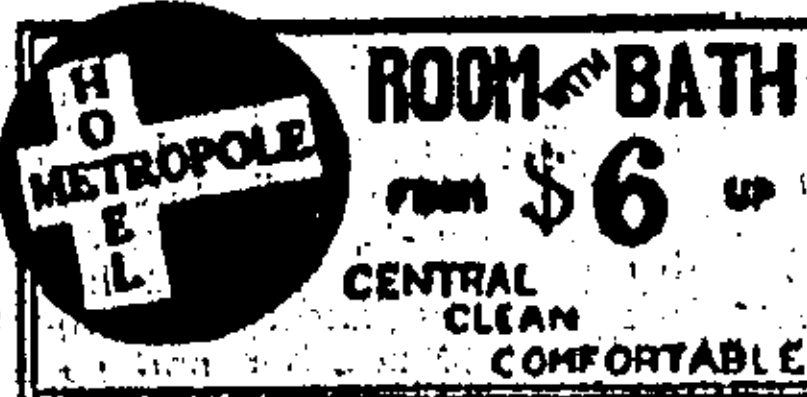
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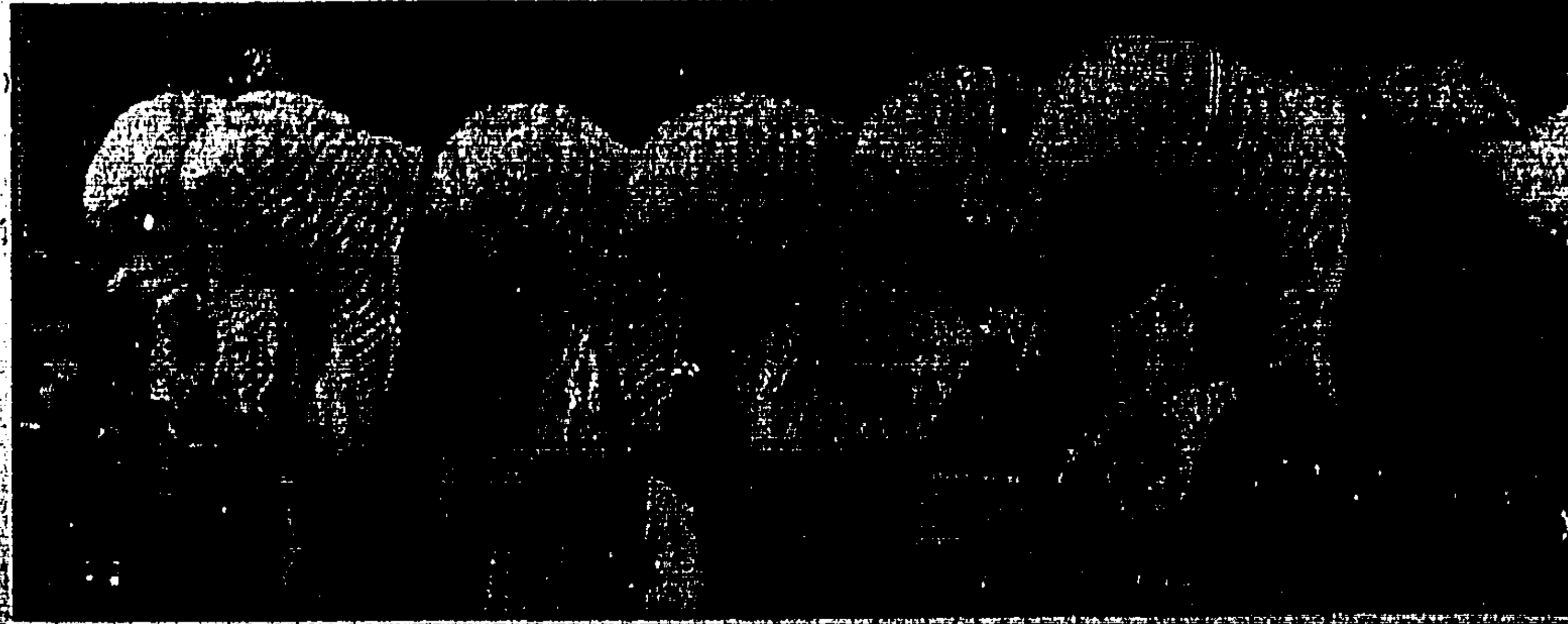
Miss Maude Clark, of Belfast (right), the Irish Linen Queen, arrived later. She was delayed on her way by fog.



Judges At Service Before Law Courts Re-open



The new legal year began at Home recently and before the Law Courts re-opened the judges attended service either at Westminster Abbey or Westminster Cathedral. Above, the Dean of Westminster Bishop de Labilliere, welcomes the Lord Chancellor, Lord Maugham, on the steps of the Abbey. Right, judges at prayer in the Cathedral.



TRANSFERS OF MINORS

No Defence if Person Gave Consent

The Government Gazette publishes the draft of an Offences Against the Person Amendment Ordinance, 1939. The objects and reasons are as follows:

Sub-section (4) of section 45A of the Offences Against the Person Ordinance, No. 2 of 1885, as printed in Volume I of the Ordinances of Hongkong (1937 Edition), provided that it should be no defence to a charge under the section that the minor, whose transfer was the subject of a prohibited transaction, consented to it or received the whole or any part of its consideration. The substituted section 45A, enacted by Ordinance No. 10 of 1938, which no longer limited the offence to transactions concerning minors and which made it indictable, contained no provision relating to the consent of the person transferred or to his receipt of any part of the consideration.

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